

USS Sampson (DDG 102)

Arleigh Burke Class Guided-Missile Destroyer



Arleigh-burke class guided missile destroyer USS Sampson (DDG 102) transits during a photo exercise with ships from the Colombian navy while underway in the Pacific Ocean, June 29, 2024. George Washington is deployed as part of Southern Seas 2024 which seeks to enhance capability, improve interoperability, and strengthen maritime partnerships with countries throughout the U.S. Southern Command area of responsibility through joint, multinational, and interagency exchanges and cooperation. (U.S. Navy photo by Mass Communication Specialist 2nd Class Nicholas Russell)

News:

Southern Seas 2024 Overview

USS Sampson (DDG 102) joined USS George Washington (CVN 73), USS Porter (DDG 78) and USNS John Lenthall (T-AO-189) in the U.S. Southern Command area of responsibility for Southern Seas 2024. Engagements were carried out with partner maritime forces from Argentina, Brazil, Chile, Colombia, Ecuador, Peru and Uruguay. Southern Seas 2024 enhanced capability, improved interoperability, and strengthened maritime partnerships with countries throughout the region through joint, multinational and interagency exchanges and cooperation.

<https://www.southcom.mil/Media/Special-Coverage/Southern-Seas-2024/>

2022 Deployment

USS Sampson (DDG 102) returned to Naval Station Everett, Aug. 11, 2022, following a seven-month deployment during which the crew conducted independent operations in and around the South China Sea, provided humanitarian aid to tsunami-damaged Tonga, and assisted in recovery/salvage of the downed F-35C Lightning II from the aircraft carrier USS Carl Vinson (CVN 70). Sampson also participated in multiple combined exercises including ship anti-submarine warfare readiness and effective measuring, Maritime Partnership Exercise 2022, Maritime Counter Special Operations Forces Exercise, several East China Sea patrols, a Taiwan Strait Transit and exercise Rim of the Pacific (RIMPAC) 2022.

<https://www.dvidshub.net/news/427074/uss-sampson-returns-homeport>

Ship General Characteristics:

Commissioned in Boston, Massachusetts, on Nov. 3, 2007.

Length: 509 1/2 Feet

Beam: 59 feet

Displacement: 8,230 - 9,700 tons (full load)

Speed: 30+ knots

Ships Company: Approximately 355 personnel (~40 officers, ~315 enlisted)

Helicopter Flight Deck

Homeport: Naval Station Everett as of Sept. 2016

Maiden deployment was from August 2009 to March 2010 to the Western Pacific and Persian Gulf as part of the Nimitz Carrier Strike Group.

Leadership:

Commanding Officer, USS Sampson:
Cmdr. James D. Hostetler

Executive Officer, USS Sampson:
Cmdr. Catherine S. Long

Command Master Chief, USS Sampson:
CMDCM Paul A. Green

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Website: <https://www.surfpac.navy.mil/Ships/USS-Sampson-DDG-102/>
Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/USSSampson>