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No.	TITLE	Date Published	SEARCH TERMS
1.	A Bibliography of American Naval history. / Compiled by Paolo E. Coletta. Published by the Naval Institute Press, Annapolis, Maryland, 1981. Chapters by historical period, from the War of the American Revolution to the 1980s; with subject and author indexes.	1981	Naval History. Bibliography.
2.	Brassey's Encyclopedia of Military History and Biography. / Franklin D. Margiotta. Washington, London: Brassey's, 1994. Arranged alphabetically by topic with comprehensive index, written by the "oldest book publishers in the fields of military defense and bibliography..." -- <i>Preface, p. XV</i>	1994	Navies.
3.	Building American Submarines 1914-1940. / Gary Weir in Contributions to Naval History published by Naval Historical Center Department of the Navy, Washington, D.C., 1991	1995	Warships 20th century history.
4.	Combat fleets of the world... : their ships, aircraft, and armament. / Jean Labayle Couhat. Annapolis, Maryland : Naval Institute Press, 1976. The first English edition of the 1897, French work, "Les flottes de combat", features navies of the world, and was published in France and the United States. Library has: 1976/77; 1978/79; 1980/81; 1982/83; 1984/85; 1986/87.	1976 - 1986	Navies.
5.	Combat fleets of the world 1998/99 : their ships, aircraft and armament. / Compiled by A.D. Baker. Annapolis, Maryland : Naval Institute Press, 1998. Includes the section "Recent Naval Developments", p. vii-xiv, <i>Addenda</i> and an <i>Index to Ship's Names</i> , p.1181.	1998	Navies.
6.	Dictionary of American Naval fighting ships. /Navy Department Office of the Chief of Naval Operations, Naval History Division, Washington, D.C., 1959--1981. There are eight volumes with arrangement alphabetically by vessel name."The history of each ship includes... tonnage or displacement, length, beam, draft, speed, complement, armament, and class... in addition, each history presents, where known, the builder, sponsor, launching and commissioning dates, date of acquisition by the Navy, first commanding officer, a concise operational history, and disposition."-- <i>Preface, 1959 edition.</i>	1959-1981	Navy.
7.	History of the United States Naval Operations in World War II. / Samuel Eliot Morison. Boston, Mass. : Little, Brown and Company, 1954. Library has Volumes 1 to 14 (Vols. 5, 7 missing): each volume describes the history of strategic geographical areas or battles, includes photographs and maps from the Navy Department archives.	1954	American Naval operations. World War, 1939- 1945.

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8.	Jane's fighting ships 1905/6 : a reprint of the 1905/6 edition of Fighting Ships. / Edited by Fred T. Jane. New York, N.Y. : Arco Publishing Co., 1970. An encyclopedia of warships of all countries of the globe who had navies at the time of publication. The Library has annual editions of the series from 1905/6 to 196/97 (some years missing). The 1905/6 edition is the eighth annual edition.	1924 to 1996	Navies. Warships
9.	The Ships and aircraft of the United States fleet ninth edition. / John S. Rowe and Samuel L. Morison. Annapolis, Maryland: Naval Institute Press, 1972 Lists and illustrates ships of "... World War II and earlier if still in commission, as well as those being built as of 1971..." -- <i>Foreword, p. v</i> . Includes Appendix and Index. Library has ten volumes: the sixth through fourteenth editions, published between 1972 and 1981 that were originally published in 1965, some are paperback, and the seventeenth edition, published in 2001.	1972, c1965	Military airplanes. Warships.
10.	The Ships and aircraft of the United States fleet. / By James C. Fahey. Library has 5 volumes: 1939 edition, the War edition, Second War edition, Victory edition, and Two-Ocean fleet edition, published between 1944 and 1978, mostly as reprints of the Ships and Aircraft original publications.	1944	Military airplanes. Warships.
11.	U.S. Warships of World War 2 / Paul H. Silverstone. Annapolis, MD : Naval Institute Press, 1989, c1965. "The book lists and describes the Navy and Coast Guard ships of the Second World War. All names ships on the navy list in 1941 are included...with details for the various classes, official naval number, date of launch, and fate..." -- from Introduction, p. 7	1989, c1965	Warships 20th century history.
12.	Warship volume i to volume X / edited by Robert Gardiner. Warship is a quarterly series devoted to the design, development and service history of the worl's combat ships.--from back cover, <i>Warship X</i> .	1980, c1977 to 1986	Warships 20th century history.
13.	Warships and Navies of the world, 1880 / J.W. King. Annapolis, MD : Naval Institute Press, 1982, originally copyrighted in 1880. This historical text is organized by countries of the world which had navies in this time period, accompanys by illustrations and line drawings, with an index, pages 615-617.	1977, c1970	Imperial Japanese Navy. Warships.
14.	Warships of the Imperial Japanese Navy, 1869 - 1945 / Hansgeorg Jentshura, Dieter Jung and Peter Mickel; Translated by Antony Preston and J.D. Brown. Annapolis, MD : Naval Institute Press, 1970. Drawings and photographs illustrate text the range of vessels in the Japanese navy.	1977, c1970	Imperial Japanese Navy. Warships.