

Continent Class IX Assault Ship



Construction Data

Model Numbers	Mk I	Mk II
Date Entering Service	2277 (2/18)	2287 (2/23)
Number Constructed	84	94

Hull Data

Superstructure Points	15	18
Damage Chart	C	C
Size		
Length	245 m	245 m
Width	175 m	177 m
Height	45 m	46 m
Weight	129,940 mt	135,615 mt

Cargo

Cargo Units	1,000 SCU	1,000 SCU
Cargo Capacity	50,000 mt	50,000 mt
Landing Capability	None	None

Equipment Data

Control Computer Type	M-3	M-3
Transporters		
standard 6-person	6	6
combat 20-person	8	8
emergency 22-person	4	4
cargo, small	6	6
large	2	2

Other Data

Crew	62	75
Troops	3200	3200
Shuttlecraft	6	6

Engines and Power Data

Total Power Units Available	40	40
Movement Point Ratio	3/1	3/1
Warp Engine Type	FWD-2	FWD-2
Number	2	2
Power Units Available	18	18
Stress Charts	M/G	M/G
Maximum Safe Cruising Speed	Warp 5	Warp 5
Emergency Speed	Warp 7	Warp 7
Impulse Engine Type	FID-2	FID-2
Power Units Available	4	4

Weapons and Firing Data

Beam Weapon Type	FH-2	FH-2
Number	6	6
Firing Arcs	2f/p, 2f, 2f/s	2f/p, 2f, 2f/s
Firing Chart	H	H
Maximum Power	3	3
Damage Modifiers		
+1	(1-10)	(1-10)

Beam Weapon Type

Number	2
Firing Arcs	1f/p, 1f/s
Firing Chart	R
Maximum Power	6
Damage Modifiers	
+1	(1-9)
+2	(10-16)

Missile Weapon Type

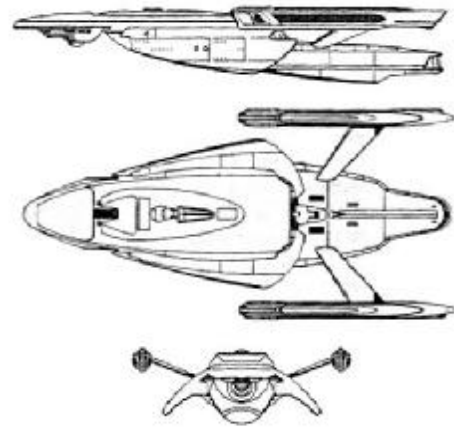
Number	1
Firing Arcs	f
Firing Chart	H
Power To Arm	1
Damage	6

Shields Data

Deflector Shield Type	FSD	FSI
Shield Point Ratio	1/2	1/3
Maximum Shield Power	6	12

Combat Efficiency

D--	68.5	99.2
WDF--	7.8	19.0
CE--	5.3	18.9



Notes:

The *Continent* class assault ship is the largest dedicated troop transport in Starfleet. This large vessel is capable of beaming its contingent of 3,200 marines, 16 heavy tanks and 50 light support vehicles in 30 minutes, insuring fast response when arriving at a planetary trouble-spot. Its weaponry also provides an excellent spaceborne platform for heavy support of planetside forces.

In addition to its role in planetary assaults, the *Continent* serves as a spaceborne Combat Information Center, relaying embarked planetary forces real-time combat information via information gathered by the ship's specialized sensors platform. It also acts as a command vessel, directing and monitoring other ships deployed in the assault zone (like the smaller *Makin* class assault ship).

The ship has two Multitronic Combat Simulators (MCS), allowing two groups of marines (up to 500 per group at a time) to combat each other virtually while aboard. The groups can also train on completely separate missions designed by their Marine commanders. These state-of-the-art simulators can integrate virtual infantry, armor, and airborne units (as well as spaceborne assets) into a complete, virtual combat simulation. In addition to the MCS, the ship has extensive gyms and physical training areas.

The ship is a perfect compliment to the smaller *Makin* class assault ship. Whereas the *Makin* class is deployed in a tactical fashion, the slower warp speed of the *Continent* class warrants their deployment in a strategic fashion. However, during an assault, the two ships work together smoothly and effectively- to devastating effect.

The *Continent* Mk II was introduced in 2287 (2/23). It mounts two FH-12 phaser banks to provide the ship with a more potent weapon to ward off enemy starships. In addition, it mounts one FP-2 which can be used to provide planetside forces with additional firepower beyond its FH-2 arrays or to provide the ship with an additional weapon against spaceborne attack. It also mounts the FSI shield generator to provide its large contingent of Marines better protection.

Of the 84 *Continent* Mk I's built, 82 remain in active service. One is used by Starfleet Training Command and 1 has been scrapped.

Of the 94 *Continent* Mk II's built, 1 is used by Starfleet Training Command with the rest in active service. Starfleet intends to upgrade and unspecified number of Mk I vessels to Mk II standard. The *Continent* is produced at Sol III at the rate of 12 per year. All production has switched to the Mk II.

Changes from FASA Mk I:
-Weight changed due to component weights.

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