

U. S. S. BENNINGTON (CV 20)

HISTORY

6 August 1944 - 15 September 1945

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1. CHRONOLOGY.

6 August 1944

Ship placed in commission at New York Navy Yard, Brooklyn, by Rear Admiral Monroe Kelley, USN, Commandant, Third Naval District. Captain James B. Sykes, USN, of Washington, D.C., assumed command.

6 - 31 August 1944

Moored starboard side to, Pier K, Berth 19, Navy Yard, New York, ship in a fitting out status. SOPA, Captain R. N. Erenham, USN (Ret.), SOPA administration in Fleet Administration Office in the Navy Yard.

1 - 7 September 1944

Moored Pier K, Berth 19, Navy Yard, N.Y.
Commenced Dock Trials.
Rear Admiral A. G. Robinson, USN, and Board of Inspection and Survey Completed inspection of ship.

9 - 10 September 1944

Moored starboard side to Pier K, Berth 19, Navy Yard, N.Y.

11 September 1944

Undergoing dock trials at Pier K, Berth 19, Navy Yard, N.Y.

12 September 1944

Cleared the dock and stood down East River and Upper Bay. Anchored in Berth 20, Upper Bay, New York Harbor. Underway for drydock, Bayonne, New Jersey, Moored U.S. Naval Drydock #7, Bayonne Annex, Navy Yard, New York, Bayonne, New Jersey.

13 September 1944 - 20 September 1944.

Docked in drydock, Bayonne Annex. SOPA in Fleet Administrative office in Navy Yard.

21 September 1944

Left drydock. Moored starboard side to Berths #5 and #6, New York Navy Yard, Bayonne Annex.

22 - 23 September 1944

Moored starboard side to Berths #5 and #6, Bayonne Annex.

24 September 1944

Underway for anchorage in Gravesend Bay, New York Harbor.
Anchored in Gravesend Bay.