

**Third Battle of the Solomon Sea
14-15 November 1942**

Japanese: Vice Admiral Kondo

Main Body, Bombardment Unit: Vice Admiral Kondo

IJN Kirishima (BB)

Cruiser Division 4:

IJN Atago (CA)

IJN Takao (CA)

Screen: Rear Admiral Kimura

IJN Nagara (CL)

Destroyer Division:

IJN Shirayuki (DD)

IJN Hatsuyuki (DD)

Destroyer Division 61:

IJN Teruzuki (DD)

Destroyer Division 9(-)

Asagumo (DD)

Unattached Destroyers:

IJN Samidare (DD)

IJN Inazuma (DD)

Sweeping Unit: Rear Admiral Hashimoto

IJN Sendai (CL)

Destroyer Division 19:

IJN Uranami (DD)

IJN Shikinami (DD)

IJN Ayanami (DD)

Reinforcement Unit: Rear Admiral Tanaka

Transports:

Kinugasa Maru

Hirokawa Maru

Sangetsu Yamura Maru

Yamura Maru

Destroyer Division 15:

IJN Oysahio (DD)

IJN Kuroshio (DD)

IJN Kagero (DD)

Destroyer Division 31:

IJN Takanami (DD)

IJN Nagami (DD)

IJN Makinami (DD)

Destroyer Division :

IJN Suzukaze (DD)

IJN Kawakaze (DD)

IJN Umikaze (DD)

American Forces: Rear Admiral W.A.Lee

USS Washington (BB-56)

USS South Dakota (BB-57)

USS Walke (DD-416)

USS Benham (DD)

USS Preston (DD)

USS Gwin (DD-433)

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