

**American Naval Forces at Tarawa  
20 November 1943**

Central Pacific Force: Vice Admiral, R.A.Spruance

Task Force 50: Rear Admiral C.A.Pownall

Carrier Force CTG 50.1 Rear Admiral C.A.wnall

- USS Yorktown (CV10)
- USS Lexington (CV16)
- USS Cowpens (CV25)
- USS Washington (BB56)
- USS South Dakota (BB57)
- USS Alabama (BB60)
- USS IZARD (DD589)
- USS Charrette (DD581)
- USS Conner (DD582)
- USS Nicholas (DD449)
- USS Taylor (DD468)
- USS La Vallette (DD448)

CTG 50.2 Rear Admiral A.W.Radford

- USS Enterprise (CV6)
- USS Belleau Wood (CV24)
- USS Monterey (CV26)
- USS Massachusetts (BB59)
- USS Indiana (BB58)
- USS North Carolina (BB55)
- USS Boyd (DD544)
- USS Bradford (DD545)
- USS Brown (DD546)
- USS Fletcher (DD445)
- USS Radford (DD446)
- USS Jenkins (DD447)

CTG 50.3 Rear Admiral A.E.Montgomery

- USS Essex (CV9)
- USS Bunker Hill (CV17)
- USS Independence (CV22)
- USS Chester (CA27)
- USS Pensacola (CA24)
- USS Salt Lake City (CA25)
- USS Oakland (CL95)
- USS Bullard (DD660)
- USS Kidd (DD661)
- USS Chauncey (DD667)
- USS Erben (DD631)
- USS Hale (DD642)

CTG 50.4 Rear Admiral F.C.Sherman

- USS Saratoga (CV3)
- USS Princeton (CV37)
- USS San Diego (CL53)
- USS San Juan (CL54)
- USS Edwards (DD619)
- USS Lansdowne (?) (DD486)
- USS Stack (DD406)
- USS Sterett (DD407)
- USS Wilson (DD408)

Task Force TF 51: Vice Admiral R.A.Spruance

CTG 51.1: Vice Admiral R.A.Spruance

USS Indianapolis (CA35)

Task Force TF 52 (Northern Attack Force) Rear Admiral R.K.Turner

USS Idaho (BB42)

USS Mississippi (BB41)

USS New Mexico (BB40)

USS Minneapolis (CA36)

USS San Francisco (CA38)

USS Liscome Bay (CVE56)

USS Corregidor (CVE58)

USS Coral Sea (CVE57) (later renamed Anzio)

USS Burns (DD588)

USS Dewey (DD349)

USS Franks (DD554)

USS Gridley (DD380)

USS Hoel (DD533)

USS Hughes (DD410)

USS Kimberly (DD521)

USS Maury (DD401)

USS MacDonough (DD351)

USS Morris (DD417)

USS Phelps (DD360)

USS Revenge

Task Force TF 534 (Southern Attack Force) Rear Admiral H.W.Hill

USS Maryland (BB46)

USS Tennessee (BB43)

USS Colorado (BB45)

USS Portland (CA33)

USS Baltimore (CA68)

USS New Orleans (CA32)

USS Mobile (CA63)

USS Santa Fe (CA60)

USS Sangamon (CVE26)

USS Suwanee (CVE27)

USS Chenango (CVE28)

USS Barnes (CVE7)

USS Nassau (CVE16)

USS Anderson (DD411)

USS Aylwin (DD355)

USS Bailey (DD492)

USS Cotten (DD669)

USS Caldwell (DD605)

USS Farragut (DD348)

USS Ganesvoort (DD608)

USS Hazelwood (DD531)

USS Harrison (DD573)

USS Hull (DD350)

USS John Rodgers (DD574)

USS McKee (DD575)

USS Meade (DD602)

USS Monaghan (DD354)

USS Murray (DD576)

USS Ringgold (DD500)

USS Russell (DD414)

USS Sigsbee (DD502)  
USS Whitman (DE24)  
USS Wileman (DE22)

Transport Division 4

USS Zeilin  
USS Virgo  
USS Ormsby

Transport Division 6

USS Harris  
USS Harry Lee  
USS Middleton  
USS Bellatrix

Transport Division 18

USS J.F.Bell  
USS Felend  
USS Monrovia  
USS Sheridan  
USS Doyen  
USS Heywood  
USS W..Biddell  
USS Thuban  
USS Ashland  
USS Requisite  
USS Pursuit  
USS Lasalle  
USS Frazier  
USS Schroeder

Task Force, TF 54: Rear Admiral R.K. Turner

USS Pennsylvania (BB38)  
USS Dale (DD353)  
USS Bancroft (DD598)  
USS LeHardy (DD20)  
USS Miller (DD535)  
USS C.R.Greer (DD23)  
USS H.C.Thomas (DD21)  
USS President Polk  
USS President Monroe  
USS Jupiter  
SS Young America  
SS Island Mail  
SS Cape Colnstantine  
SS Cape San Martin  
SS Dashing Wave  
SS Cape Fear  
SS Robin Wently  
SS Cape Stevins  
SS Cape Isabel  
USS D.R.Hastings  
USS Jane Adams  
25 LSTs  
11 LCTs  
11 AKs (Civilian)

Transport Division

USS Leonard Wood (APA)  
USS Neville (APA)

USS Pierce (APA)  
USS Calvert (APA)  
USS Alcyone (AKA)  
USS Belle Grove (LSD)  
USS Heermann  
USS Dashiell

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