

**Japanese Fleet
January-May 1944**

Combined Fleet:

IJN Oyodo (assigned 1 April)

1st Battleship Division:

IJN Yamato (detached 25 February)

IJN Mutsu (detached 25 February)

62nd Air Flotilla:

141st Air Group (5 May to 15 June)

221st Air Group (5 May to 15 June)

322nd Air Group (5 May to 15 June)

341st Air Group (5 May to 15 June)

345th Air Group (5 May to 15 June)

361st Air Group (5 May to 15 June)

522nd Air Group (5 May to 15 June)

524th Air Group (5 May to 15 June)

541st Air Group (5 May to 15 June)

762nd Air Group (5 May to 15 June)

11th Destroyer Squadron: (established 25 February)

IJN Tatsuta (25 February to 10 May)

IJN Nagara (15 May to 10 October)

6th Destroyer Division: (25 February to 15 June)

IJN Ikazuchi (sunk in April)

IJN Inazuma (sunk in May)

IJN Hibiki (detached 10 June)

IJN Hayashimo (assigned 25 February to 30 April)

IJN Akishimo (11 March to 20 June)

IJN Shimotsuki (32 March to 10 June)

IJN Matsu (28 April to 15 July)

IJN Kiyoshimo (16 May to 5 August)

IJN Fuyutsuki (25 May to 15 July)

1st Combined Communications Force:

Tokoyo Communications Unit

Owada Communications Unit

Attached:

Settsu (detached from 1 March to 15 May)

Takasago Maru

Yakaze Maru

Akashi Maru (removed 10 May)

Uragami Maru (removed 10 May)

Hikawa Maru

Muro Maru

Tenno Maru

Hakachi

Yamashimo Maru (removed 10 March)

Hakkai Maru (removed 10 March)

Kamikaze Maru (removed 10 May)

Kyodo Maru No. 36 (detached 10 September)

Osei Maru (assigned 15 February to 20 October)

IJN Hakusa (assigned 1 May)

IJN Soya (assigned 1 February)

IJN Hosho (assigned 20 February)

IJN Kamoi (assigned 15 April)

IJN Yukaze (assigned 20 February)
IJN Hibiki (assigned 10 June)
IJN Ise (assigned 25 February to 1 May)
IJN Hyuga (assigned 25 February to 1 May)
IJN Fuso (assigned 25 February to 10 September)
IJN Yamashiro (assigned 25 February to 10 September)
IJN Oyodo (assigned 25 February to 1 April)
IJN Chuyo removed 5 February)
21st Destroyer Division (assigned 1 January to 5 August)
 IJN Hatsuharu, Hatsushimo, Wakaba
4th Survey Unit (assigned 1 February to 10 March)
Sasebo 101st Special Naval Landing Unit (assigned 20 April)
Yokosuka 1st Special Naval Landing Unit (deactivated 1 Dec)
IJN Kanju (assigned 20 March to 20 August)
IJN Kasado (assigned 20 March to 20 August)
IJN Miyake (assigned 30 March to 20 August)
IJN Manju
CD 22 (assigned 22 April to 20 August)
CD 24 (assigned 22 April to 20 August)
LSV 1 (assigned 10 May to 10 September)

1st Fleet: (deactivated 25 February 1944)

2nd Battleship Division:

IJN Ise (detached 25 February)
IJN Hyuga (detached 25 February)
IJN Fuso (detached 25 February)
IJN Yamashiro (detached 25 February)
IJN Nagato (detached 25 February)

11th Destroyer Squadron:

IJN Tatsuta (detached 25 February)

6th Destroyer Division (detached 25 February)

IJN Ikazuchi, Inazuma, Hibiki

Other:

IJN Hayashimo (assigned 20-25 February)
IJN Asashimo (27 November 1943 to 10 February 1944)
IJN Kishinami (3 December 1943 to 10 February 1944)
IJN Okinami (10 December 1943 to 10 February 1944)

2nd Fleet:

4th Cruiser Division: (deactivated 15 November)

IJN Atakgo (detached 15 November)
IJN Maya (detached 15 November)
IJN Takao (detached 15 November)
IJN Chokai (detached 15 November)

5th Cruiser Division:

IJN Haguro
IJN Myoko
IJN Takao (assigned 21 November)
IJN Kumano (assigned 21 November)
IJN Tone (assigned 21 November)

7th Cruiser Division:

IJN Kumano (assigned 1 March 21 November)
IJN Tone (assigned 1 March 21 November)
IJN Suzuya (assigned 1 March 21 November)
IJN Chikuma (assigned 1 March 21 November)

3rd Battleship Division:

IJN Kongo (assigned 1 March)
IJN Haruna (assigned 1 March)

1st Battleship Division:

IJN Nagato (assigned 25 February)
IJN Musashi (assigned 25 February)
IJN Yamato (assigned 25 February)

2nd Destroyer Squadron

IJN Noshiro

24th Destroyer Division: (deactivated 31 March)

IJN Umikaze (sunk in February)
IJN Suzukaze (sunk in January)
IJN Michiseio (detached 31 March)

31st Destroyer Division:

IJN Okinami (assigned 10 February, sunk in November)
IJN Kishinami (assigned 10 February, sunk in December)
IJN Naganami (sunk in November)
IJN Asahimo (assigned 10 Feb to 15 November)

27th Destroyer Division: (detached 15 November)

IJN Harusame (sunk in June)
IJN Shiratsuyu (sunk in June)
IJN Shigure (detached 10 October)
IJN Samidare (sunk in June)

IJN Shimakaze (detached 15 November)

IJN Hayashimo (assigned 30 April to 15 August)

32nd Destroyer Division (assigned 30 October)

IJN Tamawami (sunk in July)
IJN Hamanami (sunk in November)
IJN Fujinami (sunk in October)
IJN Hayanami (sunk in June)

3rd Fleet:

7th Cruiser Division:

IJN Kumano (detached 1 March)
IJN Suzuya (detached 1 March)
IJN Mogami (detached 1 January)
IJN Tone (assigned 1 January to 1 March)
IJN Chikuma (assigned 1 January to 1 March)

8th Cruiser Division:

IJN Tone (detached 1 January)
IJN Chikuma (detached 1 January)

10th Destroyer Squadron:

IJN Agano (detached 31 March)
IJN Yahagi (detached on 15 November)

4th Destroyer Division (detached on 15 November)

IJN Nichishio (assigned 31 March, sunk in October)
IJN Nowake (sunk in October)
IJN Maikaze (sunk in February)
IJN Yamagumo (sunk in October)

10th Destroyer Division: (deactivated on 10 July)

IJN Akigumo (sunk in May)
IJN Kazagumo (sunk in June)
IJN Asagumo (detached 10 July)

16th Destroyer Division: (detached on 31 March)

IJN Yukokaze (detached 31 March)
IJN Amatsukaze (detached 31 March)

17th Destroyer Division: (detached on 15 November)

IJN Urakaze (sunk in November)

IJN Isokaze

IJN Tanikaze (sunk in June)

IJN Hamakaze

IJN Yukikaze (assigned 31 March)

61st Destroyer Division: (detached on 15 November)

IJN Akizuki (sunk in October)

IJN Suzutsuki

IJN Hatsuzuki (sunk in October)

IJN Wakatsuki (sunk in October)

3rd Battleship Division:

IJN Kongo (detached on 1 March)

IJN Haruna (detached on 1 March)

1st Carrier Division:

IJN Zuikaku (detached on 10 August)

IJN Shokaku (sunk in June)

IJN Zuiho (detached 1 February)

IJN Taiho (assigned 7 February, sunk in June)

2nd Carrier Division:

IJN Junyo (detached 10 July)

IJN Hiyo (detached 10 July)

IJN Ryuho (detached 10 July)

652nd Air Group (attached 10 March to 10 July)

50th Air Flotilla (Training):

IJN Chitose (detached 1 January)

IJN Hosho (detached 1 January)

IJN Yukaze (detached 1 January)

Kanoya Air Group (detached 1 January)

Tsuiki Air Group (detached 1 January)

Sukumo Air Group (detached 1 January)

3rd Carrier Division:

IJN Chitose (assigned 1 February)

IJN Chiyoda (assigned 1 February)

IJN Zuiho (assigned 1 February)

653rd Air Group (assigned 15 February)

4th Carrier Division:

IJN Ise (assigned 1 May)

IJN Hyuga (assigned 1 May)

364th Air Group (assigned 1 May)

Attached:

IJN Oyodo (detached 25 February)

IJN Mogami (assigned 1 January to 1 November)

601st Air Group (assigned 15 February to 10 July)

4th Fleet:

IJN Nagara (detached 20 April)

14th Cruiser Division:

IJN Naka (detached 4 March)

IJN Isuzu (detached 4 March)

22nd Air Flotilla:

755th Air Group (detached 4 March)

802nd Air Group (detached 4 March)

252nd Air Group (detached 20 February)

552nd Air Group (detached 4 March)

202nd Air Group (assigned 20 February to 4 March)

301st Air Group (assigned 20 February to 4 March)

551st Air Group (assigned 20 February to 4 March)

Toyokuni Maru (assigned 20 February to 4 March)

3rd Base Force:

3rd Base Force (detached 5 January 1943)

Ikuta Maru (detached 5 January 1943)

57th Guard Unit (detached 5 January 1943)

4th Base Force

Koei Maru (detached 20 January 1943)

Ikuma Maru (assigned 5 January detached 10 March)

57th Converted Subchaser Division (detached 18 July)

32nd Subchaser Division (deactivated 10 May)

Ch 31 Subchaser No. 31 (detached 18 July)

Ch 32 (detached 18 July)

Ch 33 (detached 18 July)

Ch 28 (assigned 10 May to 18 July)

Ch 30 (assigned 10 May to 18 July)

41st Guard Unit

42nd Guard Unit

43rd Guard Unit (detached 10 January)

67th Guard Unit (assigned 5 January)

44th Guard Unit (assigned 1 March to 1 May)

69th Guard Unit (assigned 1 February to 1 March)

4th Transportation Division (assigned 10 March to 18 July)

902nd Air Group (detached 1 August)

3rd Communications Unit (detached 10 January)

4th Communications Unit

85th Submarine Base Force (detached 25 April)

5th Base Force:

60th Converted Subchaser Division (detached 4 March)

54th Guard Unit (detached 4 March)

55th Guard Unit (1-4 March, reassigned 18 June)

56th Guard Unit (1-4 March, reassigned 18 June)

6th Base Force:

Daido Maru (removed 5 February)

16th Converted Minesweeper Division (deactivated 31 March)

63rd Converted Subchaser Division (deactivated 31 March)

65th Converted Subchaser Division (deactivated 31 March)

61st Guard Unit (deactivated 31 July)

62nd Guard Unit

63rd Guard Unit

64th Guard Unit

65th Guard Unit

66th Guard Unit

68th Guard Unit (deactivated 1 March)

6th Communications Unit (deactivated 4 March)

952nd Air Group (deactivated 1 March)

6th Submarine Base Unit (deactivated 4 March)

30th Special Base Force

3rd Communications Unit (10 January to 4 March)

45th Guard Unit (1-4 March)

Attached:

11th Construction Unit (detached 1 February)

Sasebo 7th Special Naval Landing Unit (assigned 1 April)

Yokosuka 2nd Special Naval Landing Unit (assigned 10 June)

6th AA Unit (deactivated 18 July)
221st Construction Unit (detached during period 5-20 Feb)
43rd AA Unit (deactivated 18 July)
68th AA Unit (deactivated 1 February)
46th AA Unit (deactivated 18 July)
48th AA Unit (deactivated 5 August)
91st AA Unit (assigned 18 July to 5 August)
Harushima Maru (detached 15 February)
2nd PT Boat Group (assigned 1 January to 5 June)
51st PT Boat Group (assigned 1 January to 8 May)
81st AA Unit (assigned 20 January to 18 July)
84th AA Unit (assigned 20 January to 18 July)
223rd Construction Unit (assigned 10 February to 4 March)
82nd AA Unit (assigned 15 February to 1 March)
83rd AA Unit (assigned 15 February to 1 March)
47th AA Unit (assigned 20 February to 1 March)
49th AA Unit (assigned 20 February to 1 March)
85th AA Unit (assigned 20 February to 18 July)
86th AA Unit (assigned 20 February to 18 July)
216th Construction Unit (assigned 10 April to 10 May)
226th Construction Unit (assigned 25 April to 15 July)

5th Fleet:

21st Cruiser Division:

IJN Tama (detached 30 August)
IJN Kiso (detached 30 August)
IJN Nachi (detached 15 November)
IJN Ashigara (assigned 25 February to 15 November)

22nd Picket Boat Squadron (detached 21 February)

Akagi Maru (detached 21 February)
Kamitsu Maru (detached 1 March)
1st Picket Boat Group (detached 21 February)
2nd Picket Boat Group (detached 21 February)
3rd Picket Boat Group (detached 21 February)

1st Destroyer Squadron:

IJN Abukuma

9th Destroyer Division: (deactivated 31 March)

IJN Kasumi (detached 31 March)
IJN Usugumo (detached 31 March)
IJN Shirakumo (sunk in March)
IJN Shiranui (assigned 1-31 March)

21st Destroyer Division: (detached 1 January)

IJN Hatsuharu (sunk in November)
IJN Hatsushino
IJN Wakaba (sunk in October)

7th Destroyer Division: (assigned 1 January to 20 November)

IJN Akebowo (sunk in November)
IJN Ushio
IJN Sazanami (sunk in January)

18th Destroyer Division: (assigned 31 March to 15 November)

IJN Usugumo (assigned 31 March, sunk in August)
IJN Kasumi (assigned 31 March to 15 November)
IJN Shiranui (assigned 31 March to 15 November)

6th Fleet:

IJN Katori (detached 15 February)

12th Submarine Division: (deactivated 10 July)

assigned vessels unknown
22nd Submarine Division (deactivated 10 August)
assigned vessels unknown
34th Submarine Division
assigned vessels unknown
7th Submarine Division: (assigned 1 Feb to 10 Sept)
assigned vessels unknown
15th Submarine Division: (assigned 15 January)
assigned vessels unknown
2nd Submarine Division: (assigned 15 January, deactivated
30 April)
assigned vessels unknown
attached:
I-10 (assigned 1 January, removed 10 October)
I-11 (assigned 1 January to 30 April)
1st Submarine Squadron:
2nd Submarine Division: (detached 15 January)
assigned vessels unknown
15th Submarine Division: (detached 15 January)
assigned vessels unknown
Heian Maru (detached 15 January)
8th Submarine Squadron:
I-29 (detached 5 August 1944)
I-27 (detached 10 July 1944)
I-34 (detached 5 January)
I-52 (assigned 20 March to 10 December)
I-165 (assigned 25 March to 15 December)
I-166 (assigned 25 March to 15 September)
RO-501 (assigned 15 February to 10 October)
30th Submarine Division: (detached 25 March)
attached units unknown
11th Submarine Squadron:
IJN Chogei (assigned 29 November)
I-42 (detached 31 January)
I-43 (detached 11 February)
I-183 (detached 28 April)
I-184 (detached 31 January)
RO-40 (detached 15 January)
RO-41 (detached 5 March)
RO-113 (detached 31 January)
RO-114 (detached 20 February)
RO-115 (detached 10 March)
RO-43 (detached 10 March)
RO-45 (detached 25 March)
I-52 (detached 10 March)
RO-116 (31 January to 28 April)
I-44 (31 January to 15 May)
I-47 (31 January to 14 May)
RO-117 (31 January to 14 May)
I-53 (20 February to 19 May)
RO- (21 February to 23 June)
I-44 (29 February to 30 October)
I-54 (31 March to 10 July)
I-55 (20 April to 10 July)
RO-48 (31 March to 3 July)

I-12 (25 April to 4 October)
I-361 (25 April to 15 August)
I-362 (25 April to 15 August)
Tsukushi Maru (detached 20 July)
Heian Maru (15 January to 31 March)
RO-45 (11 January to 15 April)

7th Submarine Squadron:

51st Submarine Division (1 March to 15 August)

Attached:

Yasukuni Maru (removed 10 March)
30th Submarine Base Unit (25 April to 1 September)
85th Submarine Base Unit (25 April to 1 August)

8th Fleet:

3rd Destroyer Squadron:

IJN Sendai (detached 5 January)
IJN Yubari (detached 1 May)
IJN Amagiri (detached 1 March)

22nd Destroyer Division: (detached 1 May)

IJN Satsuki (sunk in September)
IJN Mikazuki (sunk in June)
IJN Fukizuki (sunk in February)
IJN Yunagi (assigned 1 May to 30 August)

30th Destroyer Division: (detached 1 May)

IJN Matsukaze (assigned 1 May to 10 August)
IJN Uzuki
IJN Yuzuki

8th Base Force: (detached 1 May)

21st Submarine Division: (detached 1 March)
assigned vessels unknown

W-21 (detached 10 March)
W-23 (detached 10 March)
23rd Subchaser Division (1 January to 30 April)
Ch 40 (detached 31 March)
Natsushima (1-30 April)
Nasami (1-30 April)
81st Guard Unit (detached 1 May)
86th Guard Unit (detached 1 May)
89th Guard Unit (detached 1 May)
8th Submarine Base Unit (detached 1 May)
8th Communications Base Unit (detached 1 May)
8th Harbor Master's Office (detached 1 May)

1st Base Force:

31st Sub Chaser Division (detached 20 March)
W-15 (detached 1 January)
W-26 (assigned 1 August)
W-28 (assigned 1 August)
87th Guard Unit
Sasebo 6th Special Naval Landing Unit
Kure 1st Special Naval Landing Unit (assigned 1 January)
1st Communications Unit

14th Base Force:

83rd Guard Unit (detached 1 May)
88th Guard Unit (detached 1 May)

Attached:

Yunagi (detached 1 May)

Soya (detached 1 February)
958th Air Group (detached 1 May)
4th Survey Unit (detached 1 February)
2nd AA Unit (detached 1 May)
14th AA Unit (detached 1 May)
21st AA Unit (detached 1 May)
22nd AA Unit (detached 1 May)
5th AA Unit (detached 1 May)
938th Air Group (detached 10 December)
1st Transport Division
IJN Matsukaze (detached 1 May)
2nd Transport Division (detached 1 May)
63rd AA Unit (detached 1 May)
64th AA Unit (detached 1 May)
65th AA Unit (detached 1 May)
11th PT Boat Group (detached 1 May)
44th AA Unit (detached 1 May)
45th AA Unit (detached 1 May)
52nd AA Unit (detached 1 May)
36th AA Unit (detached 1 May)
67th AA Unit (detached 1 May)
69th AA Unit (detached 1 May)
47th AA Group (detached 20 February)
49th AA Group (detached 20 February)

9th Fleet:

2nd Special Base Force: (deactivated 25 March)
Ch 26 (Detached 25 March)
Ch 34 (Detached 25 March)
Ch 35 (Detached 25 March)
2nd Communications Unit (Detached 25 March)
12th Harbor Master's Office (Detached 25 March)

7th Base Force:

23rd Subchaser Division (detached 1 January)
82nd Guard Unit (detached 25 March)
85th Guard Unit (detached 25 March)
85th Communications Unit (detached 1 January)

27th Base Force: (25 March to 10 July)

9th Guard Unit (25 March to 10 July)

Attached:

IJN Shirataka (detached 5 April)
IJN Shiranui (detached 1 March)
Hokaze (5 April to 5 May)
Ch 26 (25 March to 5 May)
Ch 34 (25 March to 5 May)
Ch 35 (25 March to 5 May)
12th PT Boat Group (1 January to 8 May)
57th AA Unit (detached 5 May)
87th AA Unit (20 February to 5 May)
97th AA Unit (15 April to 5 May)

Southwest Area Fleet:

16th Cruiser Division:

IJN Ashigara (detached 25 February)
IJN Aoba (assigned 24 February to 15 November)
IJN Oi (removed 10 September)
IJN Kitimami (detached 15 November)

IJN Kinu (detached 15 November)
IJN Kuma (sunk in mid-January)
19th Destroyer Division: (deactivated 10 October)
IJN Uranami (sunk in October)
IJN Shikimami (sunk in September)
IJN Amagiri (assigned 11 March, sunk in April)

First Southern Expeditionary Fleet:

IJN Aoba (assigned 25 February)

9th Base Force:

IJN Hatsutaka

11th Subchaser Division: (detached 20 June)

Assigned Units unknown

Eiko Maru (removed 10 October)

10th Special Base Force:

44th Converted Minesweeper Division

Minesweeper W-7 (removed 10 June)

9th Guard Unit (detached 20 June)

11th Submarine Base Unit (detached 20 June)

23rd Anti-Submarine Detection Station (detached 20 Sept)

10th Harbor Master's Office

11th Special Base Force:

Ch 19 (detached 1 August)

Ch 20 (detached 1 August)

Ch 21 (detached 1 August)

Ch 41

Ch 43

Eifuku Maru

12th Special Base Force:

Kari

Kosho Maru (removed 10 July)

14 Guard Unit

25th Guard Unit

21st Submarine Detection Station (1 January to 5 June)

22nd Submarine Detection Station (1 January to 5 June)

13th Base Unit:

12th Guard Unit

13th Guard Unit

17th Guard Unit

12th Communications Unit

15th Base Force: (established 20 June 1944)

11th Subchaser Division (assigned 20 June)

9th Guard Unit (assigned 20 June)

11th Submarine Base Unit (assigned 20 June)

Attached:

IJN Yaeyama (removed 10 November)

IJN Amatsukaze (assigned 31 March)

936th Air Group

11th Air Group (assigned 1 May)

12th Air Group (assigned 1 May)

13th Air Group (assigned 1 May)

40th Construction Unit

231st Construction Unit (deactivated 1 October)

234th Construction Unit (deactivated 1 October)

21st PT Boat Group (deactivated 5 November)

51st AA Unit (deactivated 5 June)
34th AA Unit (deactivated 5 August)
70th AA Unit (deactivated 5 August)
55th AA Unit (deactivated 5 June)
58th AA Unit (deactivated 5 June)
102nd AA Unit (assigned 20 January to 5 June)
104th AA Unit (assigned 20 January to 5 June)
88th AA Unit (assigned 20 February to 5 June)
112th AA Unit (assigned 20 February to 5 June)
108th AA Unit (assigned 23 March to 5 April)

2nd Southern Expeditionary Fleet:

21st Special Base Force:

Minesweeper W11
Minesweeper W12
Minesweeper W101
Ch 1
Ch 2
Ch 3
P104 (Patrol Boat No. 104)
932nd Air Group (detached 1 October)
3rd Guard Unit (assigned 1 January)
21st Submarine Base Unit
1st Harbor Master's Office

22nd Special Base Force

Ch 4
Ch 5
Ch 6 (removed 10 October)
P2 (Patrol Boat No. 2)
P36 (Patrol Boat No. 2)
2nd Guard Unit
2nd Harbor Master's Office

23rd Special Base Force:

W8
Shinko Maru (detached 20 January)
3rd Guard Unit (detached 1 January)

24th Special Base Force:

Kiji (assigned 10 May to 20 June)
4th Guard Unit (20 May to 10 September)
6th Guard Unit (20 May to 10 September)

Attached:

P-102 (Patrol Boat No. 102)
Manyo Maru
Taiko Maru (detached 10 September)
Okyuo Maru (removed 31 March)
213th Construction Unit (assigned 20 May)
24th Construction Unit (detached 20 May)
201st Construction Unit (detached 20 May)
241st Construction Unit (detached 20 May)
50th AA Unit (assigned 20 May to 5 August)
96th AA Unit (assigned 20 May to 5 August)
30th AA Unit (detached 1 April)
29th AA Unit (detached 1 April)
53rd AA Unit (detached 5 August)
54th AA Unit (deactivated 1 April)
33rd AA Unit (detached 5 April)

35th AA Unit (detached in April)
101st AA Unit (detached 5 August)
103rd AA Unit (assigned 20 January to 5 August)
113th AA Unit (assigned 20 February to 5 August)
109th AA Unit (assigned 23 February to 5 August)
108th AA Unit (assigned 5 March to 5 August)

3rd Southern Expeditionary Fleet:

IJN Tsugaru (detached 10 August)

32nd Special Base Force:

12th Antisubmarine Detection Station (detached 5 March)
W30 (assigned 15 March)
33rd Guard Unit (assigned 4 March)
36th Guard Unit (5 May to 20 June)
32nd Communications Unit (25 June)

3rd Combined Communications Units:

10th Communications Unit (detached 20 August)
21st Communications Unit (detached 20 August)
31st Communications Unit (assigned 10 July 20 August)

Attached:

IJN Katsuriki (detached 10 November)
Kiyokawa Maru (detached 1 June)
Nankai (assigned 10 May)
Osei Maru (detached 15 February)
36th Construction Unit

7th Submarine Squadron:

31st Submarine Division (detached 1 March)

8th Base Force:

89th Guard Unit (assigned 1 May to 1 December)
81st Guard Unit (assigned 1 May to 1 December)
86th Guard Unit (assigned 1 May to 1 December)
8th Communication Unit (assigned 1 May to 1 December)
8th Submarine Base Unit (assigned 1 May to 1 December)
8th Harbor Master's Office (assigned 1 May to 1 December)

14th Base Force:

83rd Guard Unit (assigned 1 May)
88th Guard Unit (assigned 1 May to 1 December)

Central Pacific Area Fleet:

3rd Destroyer Squadron:

IJN Yubari (1 May to 10 June)
IJN Natori (15 May to 18 July)

22nd Destroyer Division: (1 May to 18 July)

IJN Satsuki (sunk in August)
IJN Minazuki (sunk in June)
IJN Fumizuki (sunk in February)
IJN Yusagi (assigned 1 May to 30 August)

30th Destroyer Division: (1 May to 18 July)

IJN Matsukaze (assigned 1 May to 10 August)
IJN Yuzuki
IJN Uzuki

5th Base Force:

IJN Sokuten (assigned 4 March to 18 July)
21st Subchaser Division (assigned 4 March to 18 July)
60th Converted Subchaser Division (assigned 4-31 March)
54th Guard Unit (assigned 4 March to 18 July)

55th Guard Unit (assigned 4 March to 18 July)
56th Guard Unit (assigned 4 March to 18 July)
44th Guard Unit (assigned 1 May to 18 July)
5th Communications Unit (assigned 4 March to 18 July)
5th Transport Group (assigned 10 March to 18 July)

30th Base Force:

W-21 (assigned 10 March to 18 July)
W-22 (assigned 10 March to 18 July)
31st Subchaser Division (assigned 20 March to 18 July)
45th Guard Unit (assigned 4 March to 18 July)
46th (assigned 15 March to 18 July)
30th Submarine Base Unit (10 March to 25 April)
30th Harbor Master's Office (1 May to 18 July)
6th Transport Division (assigned 10 March to 18 July)
3rd Communications (assigned 4 March to 18 July)

Attached:

IJN Isuzu (assigned 4 March to 18 July)
IJN Nagara (20 April to 15 May)
IJN Natori (20 April to 15 May)
23rd PT Boat Group (assigned 1 April to 18 July)
59th AA Unit (assigned 15 March to 18 July)
60th AA Unit (assigned 15 March to 18 July)
91st AA Unit (assigned 15 March to 18 July)
82nd AA Unit (assigned 1 April to 18 July)
83rd AA Unit (assigned 1 April to 18 July)
90th AA Unit (assigned 30 April to 18 July)
122nd AA Unit (assigned 30 April to 18 July)
87th AA Unit (assigned 5 May to 18 July)
218th Construction Unit (assigned 4 March to 18 July)
223rd Construction Unit (assigned 4 March to 18 July)
233rd Construction Unit (assigned 4 March to 18 July)
405th Construction Unit (assigned 23 March to 18 July)
207th Construction Unit (assigned 10 April to 18 July)
206th Construction Unit (assigned 28 April to 18 July)
214th Construction Unit (assigned 1 April to 18 July)
217th Construction Unit (assigned 1 April to 18 July)
215th Construction Unit (assigned 10 May to 18 July)
216th Construction Unit (assigned 10 May to 18 July)

China Area Fleet:

2nd China Expeditionary Fleet:

IJN Saga
IJN Hashidate (removed 10 July)
327th Constructnio Unit (assigned 15 February)
IJN Hatsukari
IJN Maiko
IJN Manyo (removed 5 February)

Hong Kong Area Special Base force:

Hong Kong Harbor Master's Office
Canton Guard Unit

Amoy Area Special Base Force:

no forces assigned

Hainan Naval Guard District:

Hainan Guard Unit
Yokosuka 4th Special Naval Landing Unit
Maizuru 1st Special Naval Landing Unit

Sasebo 8th Special Naval Landing Unit
15th Guard Unit
16th Guard Unit
254th Air Group (assigned 1 October)

Shanghai Area Base Force:

IJN Toba
IJN Ataka
IJN Uji (assigned 5 January)
IJN Okitsu (assigned 1 March)
IJN Kuri
IJN Tsuga
IJN Hasu
Shanghai Special Naval Landing Unit (detached 10 Aug)
Chushan Island Guard Unit
Nanking Guard Unit
13th Converted Gun Boat Division (deactivated 20 Feb)
14th Converted Gun Boat Division (deactivated 10 Apr)
Shanghai Harbor Master's Office

Yangtze Area Special Base Force:

IJN Suma
IJN Uji (detached 5 January)
1st Gunboat Division:¹
IJN Fushimi & IJN Sumida
21st Gunboat Division:
IJN Seta & IJN Katata
22nd Gunboat Division:
IJN Hozu & IJN Hira
23rd Gunboat Division:
IJN Atami & IJN Futami
24th Gunboat Division:
IJN Tatara & IJN Narumi
Kiukaing Guard Unit

Tsingtao Area Special Base Force:

Shuri Maru

Attached:

Hafusa (detached 1 May)
256th Air Group (assigned 1 February to 15 December)

1st Air Fleet:

261st Air Group (detached 1 February)
761st Air Group (detached 1 February)
521st Air Group (detached 1 February)
121st Air Group (detached 1 February)
263rd Air Group (detached 1 February)
321st Air Group (detached 1 February)
523rd Air Group (detached 1 February)
265th Air Group (detached 1 February)
341st Air Group (detached 1 February)
201st Air Group (assigned 5 May to 10 July)
301st Air Group (assigned 5 May to 10 July)
751st Air Group (assigned 5 May to 10 July)

¹ These gunboat divisions were formed on 10 October from ships assigned to the force that were allocated as indicated.

Attached:

IJN Settsu (assigned 1 March to 5 May)
1021st Air Group (20 May to 10 July)

11th Air Fleet:

25th Air Flotilla:

251st Air Group (detached 5 June)
253rd Air Group (detached 1 February)
751st Air Group (detached 4 April)
582nd Air Group (assigned 1 February 4 March)
253rd Air Group (assigned 4 March to 5 May)

26th Air Flotilla:

204th Air Group (detached 4 March)
582nd Air Group (detached 1 February)
201st Air Group (detached 4 March)
501st Air Group (detached 4 March)
253rd Air Group (assigned 1 February to 4 March)
503rd Air Group (assigned 1 February to 4 March)

Attached:

IJN Akikaze (detached 1 May)
IJN Tachikaze (removed 31 March)
Rion Maru (detached 1 January)
Keiyo Maru (detached 1 January)
Nagoya Maru (detached 1 January)
IJN Akitsushima (detached 4 March)
16th Construction Unit (detached 1 December)
20th Construction Unit (deactivated 5 January)
22nd Construction Unit (deactivated 5 January)
17th Construction Unit (deactivated 5 January)
18th Construction Unit
26th Construction Unit (detached 1 December)
28th Construction Unit
32nd Construction Unit (detached 1 December)
34th Construction Unit (detached 1 December)
211th Construction Unit
212th Construction Unit
151st Air Group (detached 5 May)
958th Air Group (assigned 1 May)

12th Air Fleet:

24th Air Flotilla:

531st Air Group (Detached 20 February)
281st Air Group (Detached 20 February)
752nd Air Group (Detached 20 February)

27th Air Flotilla:

801st Air Group (Detached 10 June)
452nd Air Group (Detached 10 June)
752nd Air Group (assigned 20 February to 10 June)
252nd Air Group (assigned 20 February to 10 June)

General Escort Comand:

2nd Surface Escort Division:

IJN Oite (removed 31 March)
IJN Asanagi (removed 10 July)
IJN Oki (detached 18 July)
IJN Fukue (detached 18 July)
IJN Hirato (detached 18 July)
IJN Mikura (detached 18 July)

IJN Amakusa (detached 18 July)
IJN Manju (detached 30 March)
CD-12 (Coastal Defense Ship No. 12) (assigned 14 April
to 18 July)
Nomi (assigned 15 March to 18 July)
CD-2 (assigned 30 March to 18 July)
CD-3 (assigned 30 March to 18 July)
CD-6 (assigned 5 April to 18 July)
CD-16 (assigned 25 April to 18 July)
CD-14 (assigned 5 May to 18 July)
IJN Hiyodori (detached 18 July)
IJN Otori (detached 18 July)
Chun Maru (detached 1 May)

Attached

IJN Taiyo (removed 10 October)
IJN Unyo (removed 10 November)
IJN Kaiyo (removed 10 December)
IJN Shinyo (assigned 20 January)
IJN Katori (assigned 15 February to 31 March)
IJN Kashii (assigned 25 March to 15 November)
IJN Kashima (assigned 15 to 25 April)
901st Air Group
931st Air Group (assigned 1 February to 10 December)
453rd Air Group (assigned 20 January to 15 December)
1st Convoy Escort (assigned 8 April to 10 December)
2nd Convoy Escort (assigned 8 April to 10 December)
3rd Convoy Escort (assigned 8 April to 10 December)
4th Convoy Escort (assigned 8 April to 10 December)
6th Convoy Escort (assigned 8 April to 10 December)
5th Convoy Escort (assigned 8 April to 10 December)
7th Convoy Escort (assigned 8 April to 10 December)
8th Convoy Escort (assigned 15 April to 10 December)

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