

## *U.S. Coast Guard History Program*

---

# *Atak, 1942*

WYP-163; ex-*Winchester*



---

Builder: Bath Iron Works, Bath, Maine

Length: 128'

Beam: 23' 5"

Draft: 11' 8"

Displacement: 443 tons (fl)

Cost: \$7,875 (acquisition); \$75,000 (conversion)

Launched: 1937 (commercial); 14 June 1942 (USCG)

Decommissioned: 15 July 1944; Transferred to the War Shipping Administration on 1 August 1944

Machinery: 1 Fairbanks Morse 5-cylinder diesel; 550 BHP; single propeller

Performance: 10.5 knots (maximum); 5,000 nm range @ 9.5 knots

Complement: 17 (commercial)

Electronics: None

Armament: 1 x 6-pounder; 2 x 20mm/80 single mount; 2 x depth charge tracks

---

### **Design & Service:**

The *Atak* was one of the many former-tractlers taken into service in 1942 by the Coast Guard for service on the Greenland Patrol. She was the former trawler *Winchester*. She was stationed out of Boston during her time with the Coast Guard.

She was turned over to the War Shipping Administration on 1 August 1944.

---

### **Photographs:**



“U.S.C.G. ATAK, 2670-42 NYBOS. 6/20/42.”  
Provided courtesy of James Flynn.



"U.S.C.G. ATAK, 2672-42 NYBOS. 6/20/42."  
Provided courtesy of James Flynn.

---

**Sources:**

Ship's History File, CG Historian's Office Archive.

Robert Scheina. *U.S. Coast Guard Cutters & Craft of World War II*. Annapolis: Naval Institute Press, 1983.

