



Brisk, USS; PG-89

Adjective meaning stimulating and invigorating.

Builder: Kingston Shipbuilding Co., Kingston, Ontario, Canada

Length: 208'

Beam: 33'

Draft: 14' 7"

Displacement: 925 tons

Commissioned: 6 December 1942

Decommissioned: 9 October 1945

Disposition: Transferred to the Maritime Commission

Speed:

Maximum: 17 knots

Cruising: 12 knots

Range: 7,300 nautical miles at 12 knots

Complement: 87

Armament: 2 x 3"/50; 4 x 20mm; 3 x .30 caliber Browning machine guns; 2 depth charge tracks--20 depth charges per rack; 4 depth charge "K-gun" projectors; 1 x hedgehog added 1943(?)

History:

Brisk (PG-89) was launched 15 June 1942 as the Canadian corvette *Flam* by Kingston Shipbuilding Co., Kingston, Ontario, Canada. She was acquired by the

US Navy under reverse Lend-Lease on 5 December 1942. She was then commissioned as USS *Brisk* 6 December 1942 under the command of LT N. B. Denel, USNR.

The ship got underway from Quebec 8 January 1943 and upon arrival at Boston, underwent overhaul and training exercises until 8 March when she steamed to Staten Island, New York. A Coast Guard officer assumed command on 23 June 1943.

During April 1943-June 1945 *Brisk* escorted coastwise convoys between New York and Guantanamo Bay, Cuba. She arrived at Norfolk in June 1945 and commenced her pre-activation overhaul. She then sailed to Charleston, South Carolina, where she was placed out of commission in reserve 9 October 1945. *Brisk* was transferred to the Maritime Commission 18 October 1946.

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