



Marigold, 1891

WAGL-235

A plant of the genus *Tagetes*, native to tropical America and widely cultivated for its bright orange or yellow flowers.

Builder: Detroit Dry Dock Company, Wyandotte, Michigan

Length: 159' 6"

Beam: 27'

Draft: 11' 7"

Displacement: 587 tons

Cost: \$84,870.68

Commissioned: 4 October 1891

Decommissioned: 3 December 1945

Disposition: Sold

Machinery: 1 triple expansion inverted cylinder steam engine; 2 coal-fired cylindrical tubular Scotch-type boilers; 550 IHP; single propeller.

Performance & Endurance:

Max: 11.0 knots (1945)

Cruising: 10 knots; 815 mile range (1891); 800 mile range (1945)

Deck Gear:

Complement: 26 (1891); 39 (1945)

Armament: None

Electronics: None

Tender History:

The *Marigold* was built for service in the 11th Lighthouse District as an inspection tender and to carry supplies to remote lighthouse stations. She operated on Lake Superior and Lake Huron and was based out of Detroit. She was rebuilt in 1919 and later classified as a bay and sound tender. She remained in service until 3 October 1945.

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