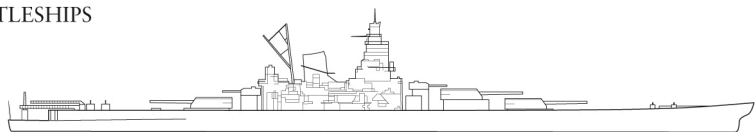


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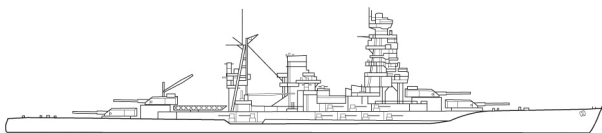
JAPANESE FORCES

Center Force, *Vice Admiral Takeo Kurita*

BATTLESHIPS



Yamato



Nagato



Kongo



Haruna

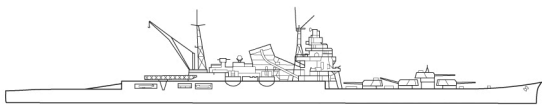
HEAVY CRUISERS



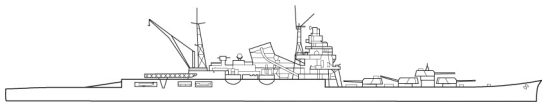
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Suzuya



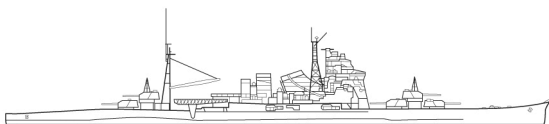
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Chikuma

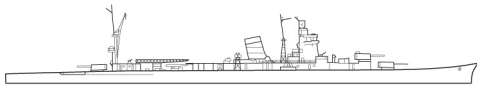


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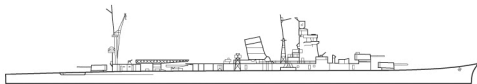


Chokai

LIGHT CRUISERS



Yahagi



Noshiro

DESTROYERS (11 total, formed into 2 squadrons, Desron 2 and Desron 10)

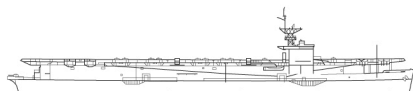


Asashio-Kaguro class

AMERICAN FORCES

Taffy 3 (Task Unit 77.4.3), *Rear Admiral Clifton A. F. Sprague*

ESCORT CARRIERS



Fanshaw Bay (CVE-70) VC-68



St. Lo (CVE-63) VC-65



White Plains (CVE-66) VC-4



Kalinin Bay (CVE-68) VC-3

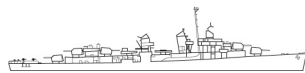


Gambier Bay (CVE-73) VC-10



Kitkun Bay (CVE-71) VC-5

DESTROYERS



Hoel (DD-533)



Johnston (DD-557)



Heermann (DD-532)

DESTROYER ESCORTS



Dennis (DE-405)



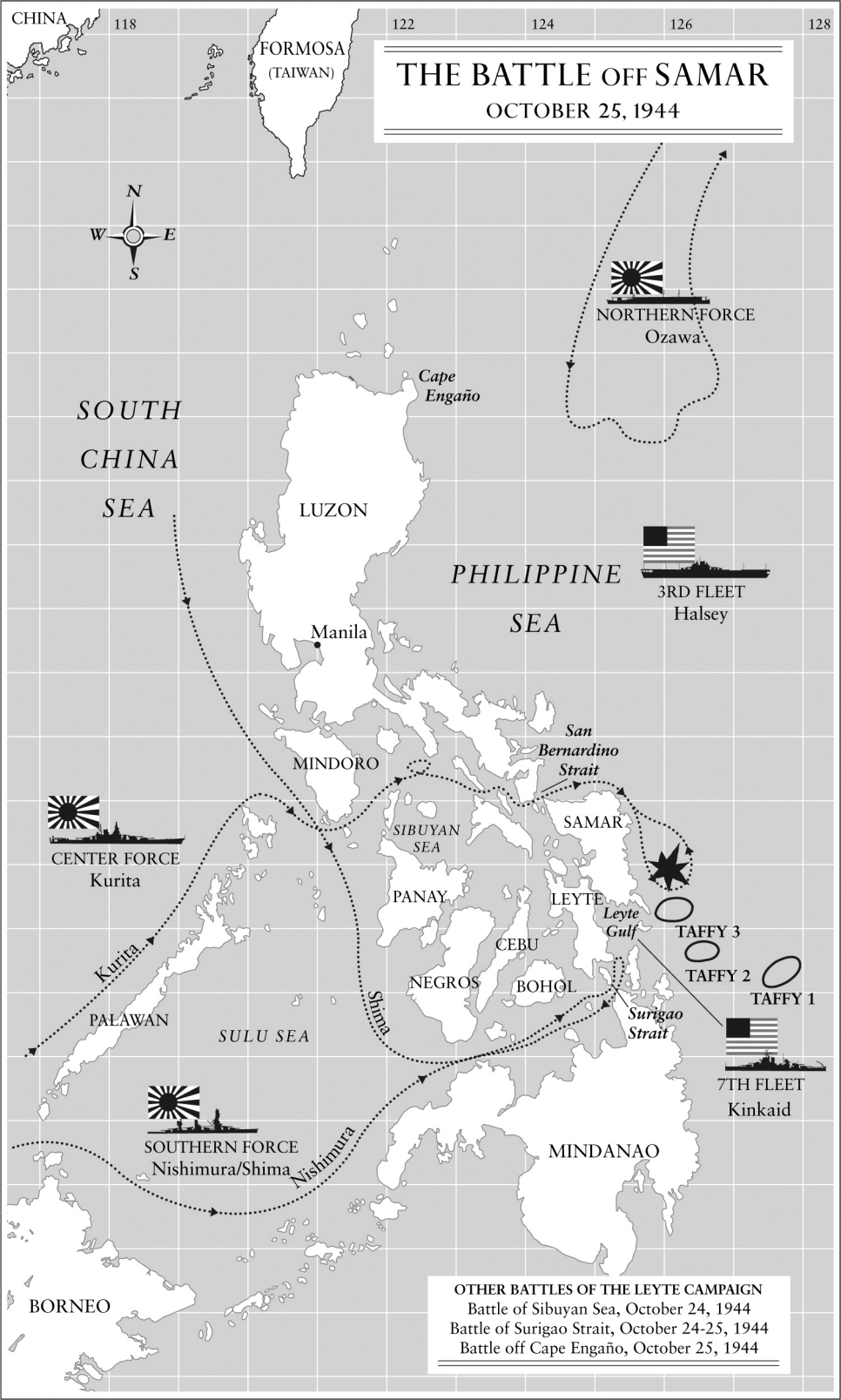
Samuel B. Roberts (DE-413)



John C. Butler (DE-339)



Raymond (DE-341)



FORMOSA
(TAIWAN)

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OCTOBER 25, 1944




NORTHERN FORCE
Ozawa


3RD FLEET
Halsey


CENTER FORCE
Kurita







SOUTHERN FORCE
Nishimura/Shima

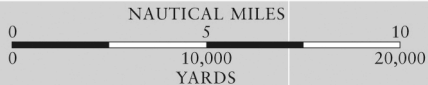
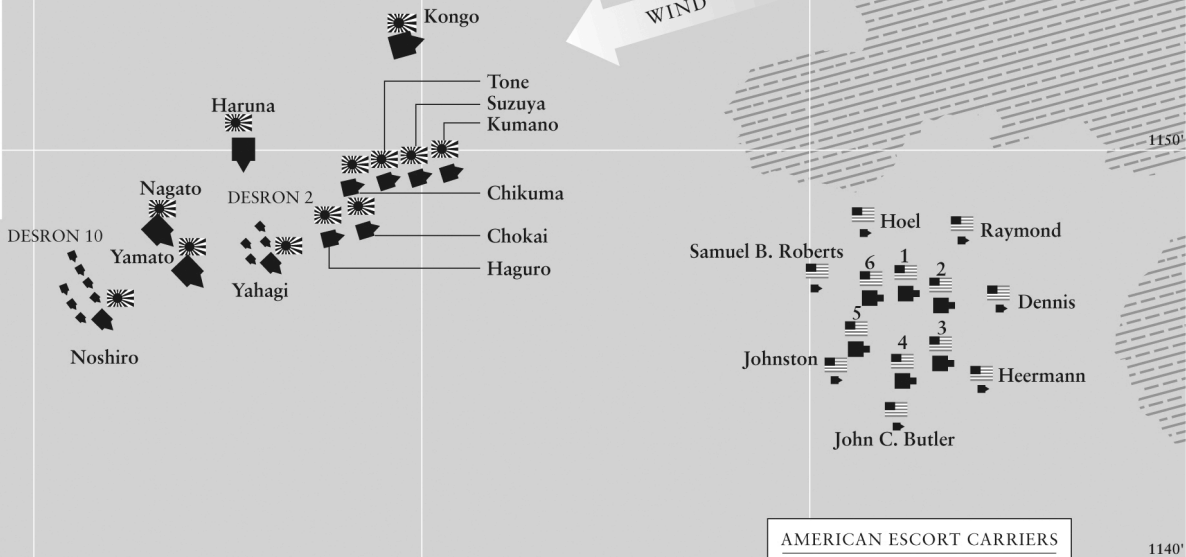
TAFFY 3
TAFFY 2
TAFFY 1


7TH FLEET
Kinkaid

OTHER BATTLES OF THE LEYTE CAMPAIGN
 Battle of Sibuyan Sea, October 24, 1944
 Battle of Surigao Strait, October 24-25, 1944
 Battle off Cape Engaño, October 25, 1944

7:00 A.M. UNDER FIRE

-  Rainsquall
-  Destroyer/
Destroyer escort
-  Cruiser
-  Battleship
-  Escort carrier



AMERICAN ESCORT CARRIERS

- | | |
|----------------|-----------------|
| 1. St. Lo | 4. Kitkun Bay |
| 2. Kalinin Bay | 5. White Plains |
| 3. Gambier Bay | 6. Fanshaw Bay |

12550'

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7:30 A.M. BATTLE JOINED



Rainsquall



Crippled

Destroyer/
Destroyer escort

Cruiser

Battleship

Escort carrier

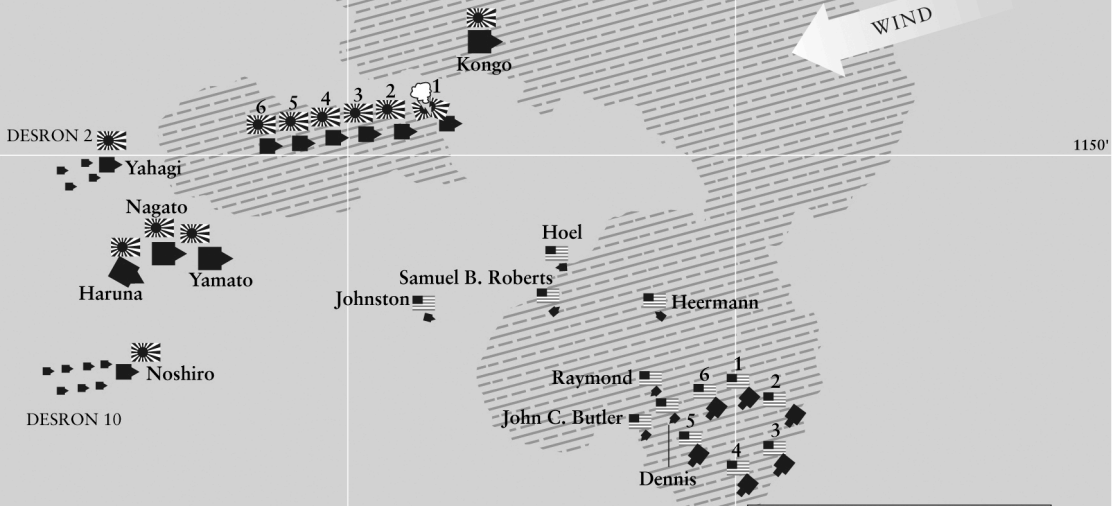
JAPANESE HEAVY CRUISERS

- | | |
|-----------|------------|
| 1. Kumano | 4. Chikuma |
| 2. Suzuya | 5. Haguro |
| 3. Tone | 6. Chokai |

NAUTICAL MILES



WIND



AMERICAN ESCORT CARRIERS

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|----------------|-----------------|
| 1. St. Lo | 4. Kitkun Bay |
| 2. Kalinin Bay | 5. White Plains |
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8:00 A.M. IN HARM'S WAY



Rainsquall



Crippled

Destroyer/
Destroyer escort



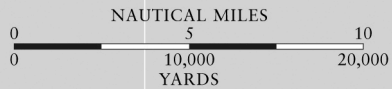
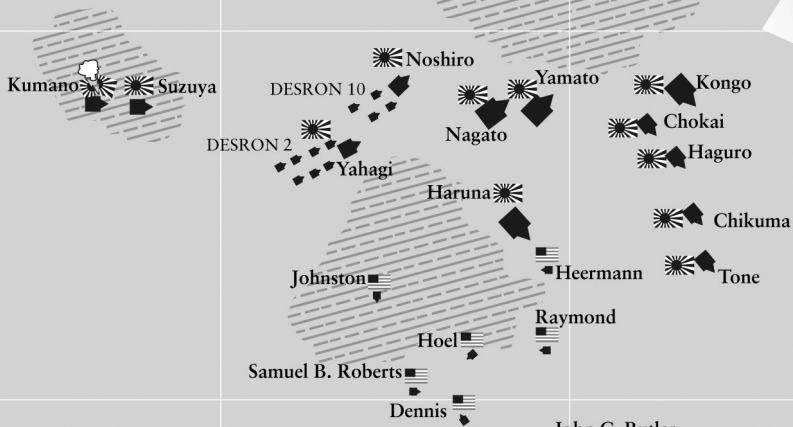
Cruiser



Battleship



Escort carrier



AMERICAN ESCORT CARRIERS	
1. St. Lo	4. Kitkun Bay
2. Kalinin Bay	5. White Plains
3. Gambier Bay	6. Fanshaw Bay



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12630'

8:30 A.M. FIRST BLOOD



Rainsquall



Crippled

Destroyer/
Destroyer escort

Cruiser

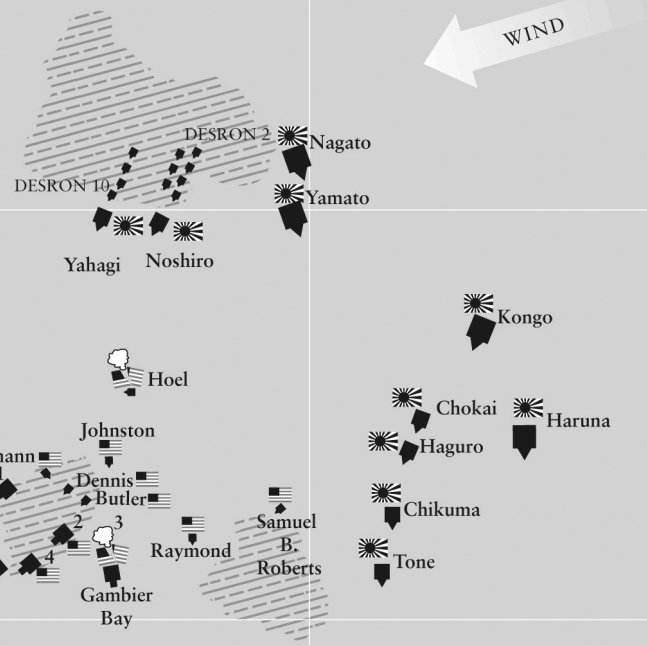
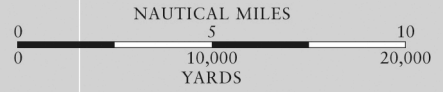
Battleship

Escort carrier













AMERICAN ESCORT CARRIERS

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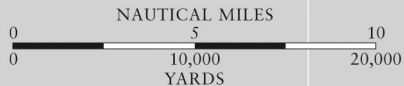
9:00 A.M. THE PRICE OF VALOR

	Rainsquall		Destroyer/
	Crippled		Destroyer
	Sinking		Escort
	Sunk		Cruiser
			Battleship
			Escort carrier

Suzuya 



DESRON 10
Yahagi 



1140'

1130'


AMERICAN ESCORT CARRIERS

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| 1. St. Lo | 4. Kitkun Bay |
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Johnston 

DESRON 2

Noshiro
Gambier Bay 

Hoel 

Samuel B. Roberts 

Nagato 


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
Kongo 

Heermann 


Raymond 

Chokai 

Chikuma 

Haguro 

Tone 

Haruna 

126E

12610'

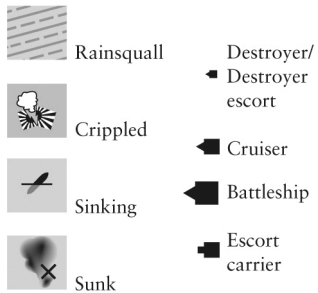
12620'

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1120'

WIND 

9:22 A.M.
RENDEZVOUS, MY
COURSE NORTH



DESRON 10
Suzuya
Yahagi

Hoel



1130'

Samuel B. Roberts



Gambier Bay

DESRON 2

Johnston

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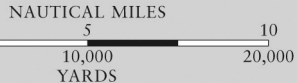
Chikuma

1
2
3
4
5
6
Raymond
Heermann
Dennis
Butler

1120'



AMERICAN ESCORT CARRIERS
 1. St. Lo
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Haruna

Haguro
Tone

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