Object Summary



H.M.S Marlborough Pattern Badge

Primary Maker

Malta Dry Docks

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Dimensions

Overall: 22×22 cm, 0.2 kg

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Object Type

Pattern Badge; Coat-of-arms

Material

Wood

Technique

Carved in wood

null

Museum

Malta Maritime Museum

Registration Number

Description

Pattern for circular ship's badge depicting a displayed fierce wyvern (a bipedal, winged dragon) in profile. Its wings are webbed, its tail ends in an arrow-like shape. This image is mounted on a circular base in one piece. The border of the base is slightly elevated mimicking a stranded rope. A pair of wyverns had featured flanking the main body of the coat-of-arms of the first Duke of Marlborough. H.M.S Marlborough was an Iron Duke-class dreadnought battleship of the Royal Navy, named in honour of the first Duke of Marlborough. The vessel was launched in October 1912. During WW1, it took part in the Battle of Jutland, hit by and eventually causing the demise of SMS Wisbaden. In the interwar period, H.M.S Marlborough served in the Mediterranean and saw action in the Greco-Turkish War.