

This crossword, created by MAT volunteer Roger Burns, features ships' names which are also variously worldwide cities and towns, a foreign mountain range, foreign countries, UK rivers and edifices. As usual, "linking" words are included, some are nautical or maritime, and some are not. Answers including associated weblinks will be posted next month. Download, print, and test both your maritime and geographical knowledge.

MAT's 9th Maritime-Themed Crossword

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Apart from publications and the internet, MAT websites to assist you are [Forgotten Wrecks at https://map.forgottenwrecks.org/](https://map.forgottenwrecks.org/) AND [D- Day: Stories from the Walls](#) AND [The Needles Voyager](#) as part of [UnPath'd Waters](#) AND the [Shipwreck Centre and Maritime Museum](#).

Clues Across	Clues Down
<p>1. A period of calm. (4)</p> <p>5. Part of speech expressing existence, action or occurrence. (4)</p> <p>7. Armed trawler, sank 10/1917 south of Salcombe Regis after collision; OR Scottish river. (5)</p> <p>10. Someone who loads & unloads vessels in port. (9)</p> <p>11. Steamship torpedoed 08/1917 south of Prawle Point; OR Cornish town associated with a Datum. (6)</p> <p>12. Cargo SV, probably British, wrecked in 1771 at the Needles, IoW; OR capital city in the Caribbean. (8)</p> <p>15. A group of soldiers or sailors who regularly eat meals together, or where they eat. (4)</p> <p>17. Coastal steamer sunk west of Owers LV in 03/1934 after collision in fog; OR small town on Eire's south coast (6)</p> <p>18. Determine position with reference to another point. (6)</p> <p>20. Scottish word for mud. (5)</p> <p>21. A kiln for drying hops. (4)</p> <p>22. Liner sunk 03/1917 SW½W of Owers LV by U-48; OR Irish Province (English spelling). (9)</p> <p>24. Unit of distance in navigation of one tenth of a nautical mile. (5)</p> <p>25. Natural spring discharging steam or hot water. (6)</p> <p>28. Middle arched section of a human foot. (6)</p> <p>30. 3rd person singular indicative of be. (2)</p> <p>32. Oak tree fruit. (5)</p> <p>33. Cargo ship sunk 04/1917 SE of IoW by UC-21; OR town in Ulster. (7)</p> <p>35 & 4D. Anchor for securing floating work platforms to their watery bed. (4,3)</p> <p>38. Scottish term for a peak, & sometimes in place names. (3)</p> <p>39. See 73A.</p> <p>40. Distance sailed due east or west by a ship on its course. (9)</p> <p>41. Style of popular dance music with heavy, rhythmic beat (5)</p> <p>45. Cargo ship, sunk 03/1918, south of Bournemouth Bay by UB-57; OR Egyptian city. (5)</p> <p>48. Cargo steamship sunk 03/1917 E of Dartmouth by UC-48; OR Lancashire town N of Wigan. (7)</p> <p>49. Law enforcement officer. (7)</p> <p>52. French barque scuttled 02/1917 E of Brixham by U-84; OR Basque Country region city. (7)</p> <p>55. Quenches thirst (6)</p> <p>58. Liner used as troopship sunk Christmas Eve 1944 near Cherbourg; OR former name of capital of Democratic Republic of the Congo. (12)</p> <p>60, 61, & 62. 07/1829 wreck at Brook Ledge, IoW; OR 14th century Cornish granite stone tower, converted to restaurant in 1980's. Grade II listed. (4, 4, 6)</p> <p>63. Plural of Moldovan monetary unit. (3)</p> <p>64. Easily did well at. (4)</p> <p>66. Term for midway between spring tides. (4)</p> <p>67. Major south coast port. (11)</p> <p>70. Steamer sunk by German U-Boat 11/1917 south east of Owers LV; OR mountain range in the Maghreb. (5)</p> <p>71. Missing without permission acronym. (4)</p> <p>72. Fellow members of a ship's crew. (9)</p>	<p>1. Trawler sunk 05/1917 south of Gosport by German submarine; OR eleventh most populous Indian city. (7)</p> <p>2. Monmouthshire Castle which has alternative names; OR MV _____ Castle, requisitioned 07/1940 as troop ship. (9)</p> <p>3. To nullify a correction or deletion in printed matter. (4)</p> <p>4. See 35A.</p> <p>5. French steamship torpedoed 03/1918 SW of the Needles; OR South American country. (9)</p> <p>6. Type of strong, lightweight wood whose use includes making floats and rafts. (5)</p> <p>7. SV, of which very little known, wrecked 1811 at the Needles, IoW; OR former name of large city straddling the Bosphorus Strait. (14)</p> <p>8. Very pleasant or attractive. (5)</p> <p>9. Finishes. (4)</p> <p>13. Norwegian collier sunk 04/1918 by UB-33 south of Charmouth; OR former name of Malawi pre-1964. (9)</p> <p>14. Troopship Liner sunk 05/1918 S of Brighton by UB-57; OR a historical region and former principality in Central and Eastern Europe. (8)</p> <p>16 & 29D. Second ship to depart 67A with war brides; OR city situated among orchards NW of Los Angeles. (5, 5)</p> <p>19. Cargo steamship sunk mid channel S of Dartmouth 09/1916 by UB-29; OR local government district of North Devon. (8)</p> <p>23. Six island group in the Outer Hebrides. (4)</p> <p>25. Disgusting; OR term used in maritime tonnage. (5)</p> <p>26. Get rid of; OR occasionally used in the past for a small ship's deck structure. (4)</p> <p>27. Liner sunk 03/1917 by German U-Boat well east of Start Point; OR NZ city in the Bay of Plenty region. (7)</p> <p>29. See 16D.</p> <p>31. Single mast sailing vessel. (5)</p> <p>34. Fishing ketch lost 1918 after collision with fishing ketch <i>Britannia</i>; OR Hampshire river. (4)</p> <p>36. First liner with turbo-electric transmission; OR converted 1942 & renamed as small South American country. (7)</p> <p>37. Small distinguishing flag displayed by a yacht. (6)</p> <p>40. Engage in (2)</p> <p>41. Male honey bees. (6)</p> <p>42. A secret store; OR temporary computer memory store. (5)</p> <p>43. Term of address for a man. (3)</p> <p>44. Computer file format. (3)</p> <p>46. 3rd name of French collier when sunk 03/1918 by UB-80, uncertain location mid channel; OR south Cornwall coastal village meaning fortified pool in Cornish. (9)</p> <p>47. Short high tone for a signal or warning. (5)</p> <p>49. American word for a state of extreme distress or panic. (6)</p> <p>50. Something that flows out or forth. (8)</p> <p>51. A ship's stern overhang aft of the sternpost. (7)</p> <p>53 & 65D. Collier sunk 04/1918 NW of Portland Bill by UB-80; OR island west of Girvan. (5,5)</p> <p>54. English smack from Swanage foundered 11/1822 at the Needles, IoW; OR antipodean capital city. (10)</p> <p>56. Cargo ship sunk 09/18 just E of Brixham by UB-103; OR _____ Castle, medieval fortification with same name as Cumbrian town. (6)</p> <p>57. Cargo vessel sunk 12/1917 SExE of Start Point by UB-31; OR large city on the river Vistula. (6)</p> <p>59. Cord or strap restraint, especially with a dog. (5)</p> <p>60. A ship accompanying another. (7)</p>

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<p>73 & 39A. Smack sunk 06/1917 by German U-Boat south east of Start Pont; OR Devon Unitary Authority followed by unmarried young woman. (6,4)</p> <p>75. Set of letters and symbols in a particular design and size. (4)</p> <p>76. First ship to depart 67A with war brides; OR South American country. (9)</p>	<p>65. See 53D.</p> <p>68. Unstable, poisonous allotrope of oxygen. (5)</p> <p>69. French cargo vessel sunk 11/1917 off Newhaven by UB-56; OR American border state in the New England region. (5)</p> <p>73. Preposition, in a direction towards. (2)</p> <p>74. Preposition, indicating contact with an upper surface. (2)</p>