

Oriole (HMCS)

1921 Training Vessel



FLAG: Canada

RIG: BM Ketch

HOMEPORT: Esquimalt

SPARRED LENGTH: 27.72 m

RIG HEIGHT: 20.66 m

SAIL AREA: 13, 133 square feet

VESSEL INFORMATION

HMCS Oriole was originally laid down as the Oriole IV, the successor in a line of vessels named Oriole that were in service as the flagships for the Royal Canadian Yacht Club of Toronto, Ontario. During World War II, she was chartered by the Royal Canadian Navy as a training vessel. In 1949 she was again chartered by the Navy as a new recruit training vessel, and subsequently moved to Halifax, Nova Scotia, in 1951. She was officially commissioned HMCS Oriole June 19th 1952, and two years later the navy moved her to CFB Esquimalt to become a training vessel to the Naval Officer Training Centre. Oriole's hull is steel, however its decks, cabin house, skylights and hatches are all made of teak. Oriole is a sturdy ocean cruiser and valuable for team work and seamanship training. Its participation in racing is primarily to give inexperienced crews further opportunities for training.

Websites:

<https://sailtraininginternational.org/vessel/oriole/>

<http://www.navymarine.forces.gc.ca/en/news-operations/news-great-lakes-2018-oriole.page>

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