



PHLOX

LAUNCH YEAR: 2295

PRIMARY SHIPYARDS: Utopia Planitia, Mars; Tycho Shipyards, Luna

OVERVIEW: As the Khitomer Accords began to take effect and the Federation Council committed to either helping the Klingon Empire restore Qo'noS or find them a new world to call home, Starfleet's admiralty and the various design bureaus began to realize that fleet expansion was going to be of paramount importance. While there were plenty of designs for cruisers and other exploratory craft, there was a serious dearth of newer auxiliary ship classes.

One of the most glaring issues they saw was the lack of emergency support ships, especially fast-response and medical ships. The mainstay of Starfleet's dedicated medical ships, the *Hiawatha*-class medical frigates, were over half a century old, and while they still had considerable service life left to them, their older engines, even with considerable refits, weren't able to get them to trouble spots as quickly as they used to. The galaxy had gotten bigger, and Starfleet needed to be able to respond to emergencies in the ever-expanding

frontiers of the Federation. A newer generation of hospital ship, designated as the *Phlox*-class medical cruiser, was commissioned in 2293, with its namesake vessel leaving drydock at Tycho Shipyards for a shakedown in the summer of 2295.

CAPABILITIES: Like its predecessor the *Hiawatha*-class, the *Phlox*-class had state-of-the-art medical systems and extensive research labs. It was larger than a *Hiawatha*, however, able to accommodate nearly twice the number of patients at any given time. Its warp core and nacelles could provide the ship with a cruising speed of warp 7, with emergency speeds of warp 8.8; this enabled Starfleet to send humanitarian aid and medical support to frontiers undreamed of by the designers of the *Hiawatha*-class.

REFITS AND VARIANTS: Most of the early refits of the *Phlox*-class concentrated on upgrading the ship's communications systems or its engines.

SUGGESTED MISSION PROFILES: Colony Support, Crisis and Emergency Response

NAMING CONVENTIONS: Most vessels of the *Phlox*-class were named for doctors and nurses of historical significance to the various member worlds of the Federation. Ships with names like *Dourap*, *Kiunya*, and *T'Pris* were notable vessels. Initial registry numbers for the first flight of this class were typically in the 2320-2350 range, though occasional unassigned lower numbers weren't unheard of during the spaceframe's history.

SPACEFRAME

TRAIT: Federation Starship

SYSTEMS

COMMS 08

ENGINES 08

STRUCTURE 09

COMPUTERS 09

SENSORS 09

WEAPONS 06

DEPARTMENTS

COMMAND —

SECURITY —

SCIENCE +1

CONN —

ENGINEERING +1

MEDICINE +1

SCALE: 4

RESISTANCE: 4

WEAPONS:

- Phaser Banks
- Tractor Beam (Strength 3)

TALENTS:

- Advanced Sickbay
- Dedicated Personnel (Medical)

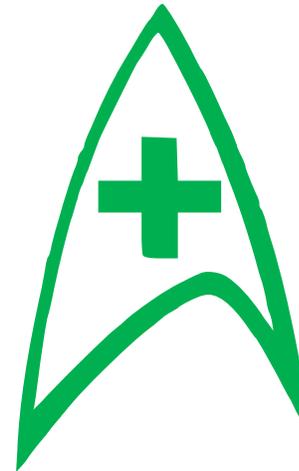
U.S.S. T'PRIS

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NOTABLE STARSHIP (2296)

CLASS: *Phlox*-class Medical Cruiser
MISSION PROFILE: Crisis and Emergency Response
COMMISSIONED: 2296
REFITS: 0

TRAITS: Federation Starship



SYSTEMS

COMMS 08	ENGINES 08	STRUCTURE 09
COMPUTERS 09	SENSORS 09	WEAPONS 06

DEPARTMENTS

COMMAND 02	SECURITY 02	SCIENCE 03
CONN 02	ENGINEERING 03	MEDICINE 04

SCALE: 4 **RESISTANCE:** 5
POWER: 8 **SHIELDS:** 11
CREW SUPPORT: 4 (+2 Medical)

WEAPONS:

- Phaser Banks (Energy, Range M, 7▲ Versatile 2)
- Tractor Beam (Strength 3)

TALENTS:

- Advanced Sickbay
- Dedicated Personnel (Medical)
- Extensive Shuttlebays
- Improved Hull Integrity

Named for the late chief medical officer of the *U.S.S. T'Mir*, a *Miranda*-class vessel that participated in the evacuation and treatment of a Denobulan colony near the Romulan border. The *U.S.S. T'Pris* was instrumental in the follow-up treatment of the Velkath colony, a mostly-Tellarite colony which had been infected with d'kar fever by an Orion pirate a few weeks earlier.

She was also the primary responder to Derana, a non-Federation world whose capitol city had been decimated by the explosion of a matter/antimatter generator in 2302. With the intervention of the medical staff of the *T'Pris*, the casualty rate among the survivors of the blast was drastically reduced, while her engineering staff helped the locals decipher all the telemetry available from the generator station and find the root cause of the explosion.

It was found that a faulty magnetic bottle system had allowed an antimatter leak. The engineers from the *T'Pris* were able to help local engineers overcome the design defect that caused the leak, and assisted them in installing improvements to their other reactors and thus helped prevent any similar accidents. Their assistance led the Deranans to petition for Federation membership in 2304.