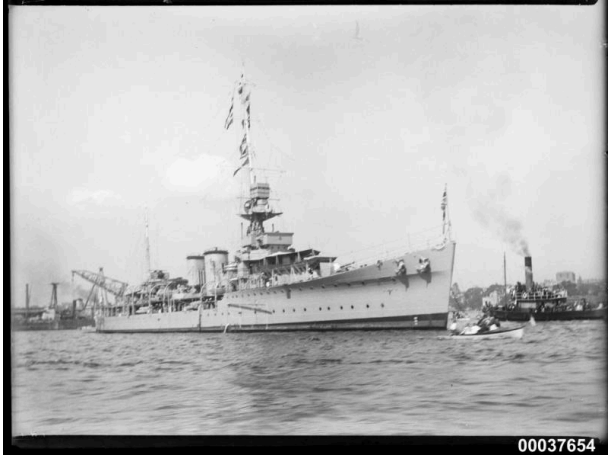


Basic Detail Report



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Title

HMS DELHI at naval buoy number 2 in Sydney on Fleet Day

Date

9 April 1924

Primary Maker

Frederick Garner Wilkinson

Medium

Emulsion on glass

Dimensions

Overall: 82 x 103 mm, 2 mm, 0.04 kg

Name

Glass plate negative

History

HMS DELHI was a Danae class cruiser of the British Royal Navy built in 1917, launched in 1918, commissioned in 1919 and broken up at Cashmore shipyards, Newport in 1948. DELHI played a role in the Baltic Campaign during 1918-1919, served in the Special Service Squadron's 1923-1924 world tour, was stationed with the home fleet between 1939 and 1942, the Mediterranean fleet in 1940 and 1943-1945. The ship also served in the South Atlantic between 1941-1942 when it was refitted in America and in 1945 was placed in reserve. During 1923-1924 the Special Service Squadron made up the Empire Cruise, a British world tour that stopped at many countries who had fought and held allegiance with Britain in World War I. The tour started on 27 November 1923 and lasted until 28 September 1924. It was largely a public relations exercise to express Britain's sea power, particularly relevant in the aftermath of World War I.