

HMS Belfast



The HMS Belfast was built in 1936 just before the Second World War. It was used for only 25 years and on 21st October 1971 was opened in London as a museum.

On 21st November 1939, during the war, the ship was badly damaged when it hit a mine which had been laid by a German submarine. 21 men were injured and the repairs took nearly 3 years.

Did you know?

The initials HMS stand for 'Her Majesty's Ship or Submarine'



After World War Two, the HMS Belfast fought in the Korean War. In July 1952 the ship was hit and one man died.

On film

The ship has appeared in many movies including the last Harry Potter film.



The crew of the HMS Belfast had to fight during the night using its 4 inch guns.