Maratha Class Battlecruiser

**Production Data**
- Origin: Romulan Star Empire
- Class and Type: Maratha Class
- Battlecruiser
- Year Launched: 2380

**Hull Data**
- Structure: 40
- Size/Decks: 7/25
- Dimensions: 350 x 480 x 80m
- Complement: 520

**Operational Data**
- Atmosphere Capable: No
- Transporters: 3 ea Stand, emer, cargo
- Cargo Units: 70
- Shuttlebay: 1a
- Shuttlecraft: 7 Size worth
- Tractor Beams: 1ad, 1fv
- Separation System: No
- Sensor System: Class 3(+3/D)
- Operations System: Class 3(D)
- Life Support: Class 3(D)
- Cloaking Device: Class 3
- Cloak Rating: 20

**Propulsion Data**
- Impulse System: RIB-2 (.7c)(BB)
- Warp System: Type 5C5 (wf 5/8/9.2)(CC)

**Tactical Data**
- Disruptor Arrays: RPFD-3 (x4/C)
- Penetration: 5/5/4/0/0
- Deflector Shield: FSR-2 (BB)
- Protection/Threshold: 17/5

**Torpedoes**
- RPT-3 (x2/C)
- Penetration: 7/6/5/4/3

**Miscellaneous Data**
- Maneuver Modifiers: +1C/+2H/+2T
- Traits: None

**Notes:**
At the close of the Dominion War, the Romulan Empire was faced with the need to both replace the ships and crews lost and to do so in a timely and cost-effective fashion. While the standard D'Deridex class warbird was the Romulan standard in both size and firepower, the class proved to be extremely costly in both resources and time-to-build, as well as having been constructed with technology that was now a generation out of date.

For their own purposes, the Romulans turned to smaller, new-technology vessels such as the Valdore/Mogai class cruisers. For their second-line forces (such as the Remans), the Romulan went a different route.

The Maratha class cruisers were designed and built as a low-cost, (comparatively) low-tech alternative to the new generation cruisers. The ships are heavily armed and armored, but are built with the same level technology used in the 2360's- ostensibly to ease lifetime maintenance costs and reduce construction costs. Others suspect that the Remans were being armed with “second string” vessels in order to make them easier to control.

To make the vessels easier to modify, they were designed with a “switchable” weapons pod similar to that used on the Federation's Nebula class cruiser. Despite that modularity, no known variants exist.