

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

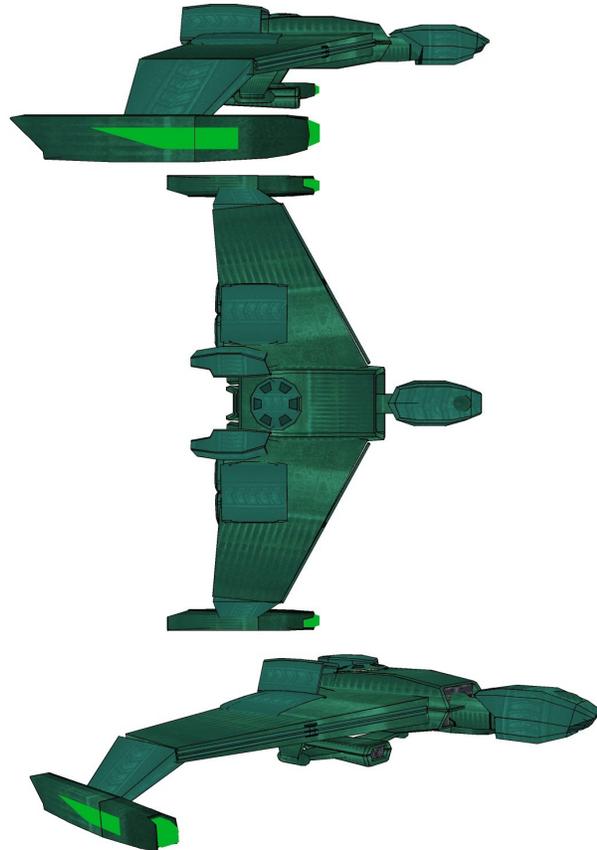
Disruptor Arrays RPF3-3 (x4/C)
 Penetration 5/5/4/0/0
Deflector Shield FSR-2 (BB)
 Protection/Threshold 17/5

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in both resources and time-to-build, as well as having been constructed with technology that was now a generation out of date.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 *Marath* 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.