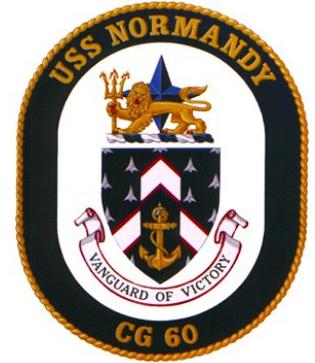




## *Another example of a mission ready ship because of a U.S. Navy Port Engineer*

# USS Normandy (CG 60) Arrives in Zeebrugge, Belgium



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ZEEBRUGGE, Belgium (NNS) -- The Ticonderoga-class guided-missile cruiser USS Normandy (CG 60) arrived in Zeebrugge, Belgium, for a scheduled port visit, Oct. 5.

Normandy is here to enhance U.S. - Belgian relations and demonstrate the enduring partnership and mutual commitment to regional security and stability while giving Sailors time for a much needed rest.

"The most effective way of enhancing partnerships is through joint cooperation and what better way to facilitate cooperation than visiting for a port call," said Capt. Chris Stone, commanding officer of Normandy. "As our Sailors immerse themselves in the rich and vibrant local culture, we bring ourselves to a better understanding of our long-standing NATO ally."

Sailors will have the opportunity to experience the culture and heritage as well as visit historical sites in the local area.

The Normandy is scheduled to host a reception to celebrate the partnerships between the two nations as they work together for a stable, secure and prosperous Europe.



Normandy is homeported in Norfolk, Va., and is on a scheduled deployment in the U.S. 6th Fleet area of responsibility. Normandy is currently deployed as part of the Harry S. Truman Carrier Strike Group. The Harry S. Truman carrier strike group will continue its deployment by conducting sustainment operations in the North Sea.

For more news from Commander, U.S. Naval Forces Europe and Africa/U.S. 6th Fleet, visit [www.navy.mil/local/naveur/](http://www.navy.mil/local/naveur/).

**Webmaster's Note :** **USS *Normandy* (CG-60)** is a *Ticonderoga*-class guided-missile cruiser in the service of the United States Navy. She is named for the World War II Battle of Normandy, France, which took place on and following D-Day.

In an historic first, *Normandy* embarked nine World War II veterans on 18 May 1994, for commemoration of the 50th anniversary of the Allied landings on the coast of France.