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# HMS Dreadnought

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Decision made. 1875 battleship Dreadnought to 1/96. Hoping for NMM drawings.  
Have two photos so far off Wikipedia. Wish me luck.



6th Mar 2019

### Finally

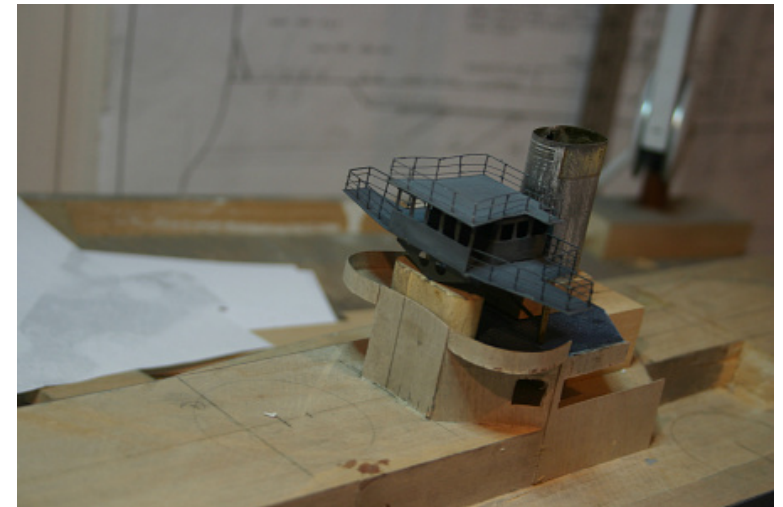
She has now left the builders yard. What next?



12th Jan 2018

### Progress 12th January

Bridge structure nearing completion. Railings need some straightening and windows glazed. I assume the decks would be planked. This is one difficult unit to build! Anyone confirm that?



20th Feb 2018

## Frustration

Maybe I'm getting old, but I have never had so many 'don't like it make it again"! Part problem is the drawings I have don't always agree with photos. But there is progress.



29th Nov 2018

## Davits and falls

Dreadnought had two boats on Davits, slung each side of the funnel, and actually directly above the midship main armament gun barrels. I would assume the davits were able to tilt outwards to allow the boats to be lowered directly outboard. Would anyone know what sort of winches the falls would have been paid out with, or were they simply lowered by hand? As far as I can make out the rest of here boats were accessed by the crane on the mainmast.

11th Aug 2018

### Thwarts

Would the thwarts on a cutter in the early 1900s have been teak or a white wood?  
Current state of build attached. She will have two steam pinnaces, probably four cutters and two or three whalers and a dinghy.



19th Apr 2018

### Focsle

Progress at last, but have no info for focsle arrangement, winches etc. Assume would be similar to Nelson's, even though twenty years previous? From what I can see, her guardrails were mounted on the deck planking rather than outside on the steel



25th Apr 2018

## Progress

At least she looks like a warship at last. I wonder if her anchor winches would be different to those twenty years later. She had multiple booms for torpedo nets. I assume they were mounted to the hull a few feet above waterline and swung out from there. Were they wood or steel does anyone know? Must have been quite an operation setting them out!



20th Jul 2018

## guardrails

I have always painted guardrails to whatever grey the vessel is in 1e home fleet, mediterranean etc. But in one photo of Dreadnought they look darker, maybe black. Anyone have an opinion?

5th Jun 2018

### Foredeck

Hi Doug, How does this look to you? Still working on the guard rails.



3rd May 2018

### Winches

Doug, Have you any info on Dreadnought's anchor winches? She now has all, I think!, of her portholes, well over a hundred. Anchors next, then guard rails around the focsle.



22nd May 2018

### Catheads

Hi Doug, Your shot of the foredeck is great, but I cannot find any pics of the clump catheads. They must have had some sort of winch, so I assume they were just a heavy protrusion with the winch mounted behind it?



24th May 2018

### Ctheads etc

Hi Doug, What ship's foredeck was that? Hood maybe? Looking at the bow shot you put up I cannot see any catheads. From the drawings I have, which are not Admiralty, she had three capstans feeding the chains into only two lockers. Odd. There is also a very large capstan about twenty feet aft of them.