

**GENERAL CHARACTERISTICS****Length:** 146,6 m**Beam:** 21 m**Draught:** 7,25 m**Displacement :** 5.980 t**Speed :** 21 Kts**Powerplant:** 2 Diesel Sulzer engines
17290 KW (23186,27 HP)**OVERVIEW**

Etna is the fifth unit of the Italian Navy to bear this name. She was built at the Riva Trigoso Shipyards, launched on July 12, 1997 and delivered to the Italian Navy on July 29, 1998. ITS Etna has been the first logistics unit of the Italian Navy and her great flexibility of use makes her fit to multiple uses:

- as a complex command platform, up to MCC level thanks to fully equipped two Staff Rooms, Operations Command, a command and control integrated system; all these features allow dual-use capabilities to support public agencies, as well as private organizations in case of emergency;
- as a replenishment tanker, for transport and oil, lubricant, food, medicines and support materials supply. She is fitted with a flight deck that can operate "light", "medium lift", and "heavy lift" helicopters, a hangar that can hold an AB-212/SH-3D/ NH-90/ EH-101 helicopter. The load-unload management is fully computerized and can be used to provide assistance to populations in distress.

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