



HELMET WRECK – DEPTH CHARGE WRECK

History:

- Small old-fashioned coaster
- Names: Depth Charge Wreck, X1 or Helmet Wreck
- Has no documented name, its thought that the Japanese confiscated the ship in Southeast Asia
- Torpedo hit to aft stern Desecrate One Operation
- To sink, it took seven 500 lb bombs and 4 rockets

Artifacts:

- > Stern hold: Helmets, gas mask, belts and shoes
- > Bow holds: 3 radial engines for Zeke fighters, electrical wires, brass lanterns, medicine bottles, Kirin bottles and ceramic Sake bottles

Armament:

- Depth charges, carbine rifle, machine guns, ammunition stacks found in the stern hold
- > Collapsed gun mount on stern
- 2 depth charge release boxes located on each side of the stern platform; their lethal charges are still inside

Marine Life:

- Cleaner shrimp, charlotte shrimp, banded pipefish, lion fish & a variety of small reef fish
- > Rich coral formations of Staghorn , Brain and Lettuce corals surround ship