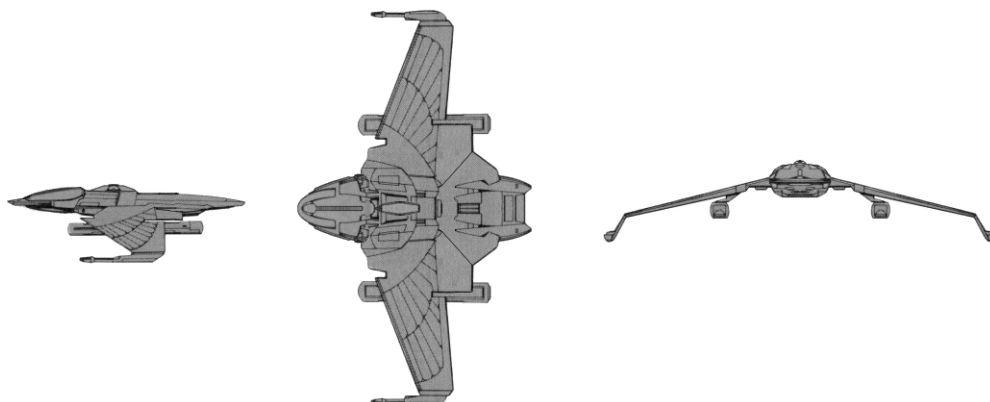




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Construction Data:

Model Number —	Type 1	Type 2
Ship Class —	X	X
Date Entering Service —	2276	2279
Number Constructed —	25	20

Hull Data:

Superstructure Points —	30	30
Damage Chart —	B	B
Size:		
Length —	175.3 m	175.3 m
Width —	300.1 m	300.1 m
Height —	60.2 m	60.2 m
Displacement —	158,470 mt	157,670 mt
Cargo:		
Total SCU —	340 SCU	340 SCU
Cargo Capacity —	17,000 mt	17,000 mt
Landing Capacity —	None	None

Equipment Data:

Control Computer Type —	R-5m	R-5m
Transporters —		
Standard 9-person —	4	4
Combat 20-person —	2	2
Emergency 20-person —	3	3
Cargo —	2	2
Cloaking Device Type —	RCC	RCC
Power Requirement —	15	15

Other Data:

Crew —	317	322
Troops —	80	80
Passengers —	10	10
Shuttlecraft —	8	8

Engines and Power Data:

Total Power Available —	52	52
Movement Point Ratio:	3/1	3/1
Warp Engine Type —	RWF-2	RWF-2
Number —	2	2
Power —	20 ea.	20 ea.
Stress Chart —	G/M	G/M
Max Safe Cruising:	Warp 7	Warp 7
Emergency Speed:	Warp 9	Warp 9
Impulse Engine Type —	RID-3	RID-3
Power Units —	12	12

Weapons and Firing Data:

Beam Weapon Type —	RB-5	RB-6
Number —	8	8
Firing Arcs —	4 f, 1 p, 1 s, 1 p/a, 1 s, a	4 f, 1 p, 1 s, 1 p/a, 1 s, a
Firing Chart —	V	T
Maximum Power —	5	6
Damage Modifiers:		
+3	(1-10)	(-)
+2	(11-16)	(1-18)
+1	(17-21)	(-)
Torpedo Weapon Type —	RP-2	RP-2
Number —	6	6
Firing Arcs —	2 f, 1 p, 1 s, 2 a	3 f, 3 a
Firing Chart —	H	H
Power to Arm —	1	1
Damage —	8	8

Shield Data:

Deflector Shield Type —	RSN	RSN
Shield Point Ratio —	1/2	1/2
Maximum Shield Power —	15	15

Combat Efficiency:

D:	113.9	113.9
WDF —	55.2	55.2

NOTES:

Known Sphere Of Operation: Klingon & Triangle border

Data Reliability: C

Major Data Source: Romulan Sector Intelligence

By rights, the *M-12* should probably be classified as a cruiser, rather than a frigate or escort. However, the *M-12* has never been seen operating in any capacity other than an escort, often assigned to the *Z-1* or *V-30* classes. Based on an enlarged *V-7*, the *Starwind* is fast, maneuverable, powerful and well-armed. The enlarged hull allows for the inclusion of a complement of Romulan troops, as well as improved cargo handling and an enlarged flight deck for small craft.

Unlike many designs that are assigned to escort duties, however, the weapon systems of the *M-12* are primarily oriented fore and aft, with minimal coverage of the vessels flanks. Star Fleet Intelligence believes that this more aggressive layout, along with the class' Warp 9 emergency speed indicates that the *Starwind* is intended to actively chase down and destroy or capture pirate vessels and raiders, rather than simply fend them off during its escort mission.

The Type-1, launched in 2276, uses the RB-5 beam weapon while the Type-2, launched three years later used the more powerful but shorter ranged RB-6. Both variants used the RP-2 torpedo, which are considered light weight for a vessel of this size. However, the extensive number of launchers makes the *Starwind* class very dangerous.

The most notable feature of the class is the advanced sensor arrays (both active and passive) located in the massive "head" of the ship. Though unconfirmed, it is thought that these systems are some of the most sophisticated in the Romulan fleet and well-suited for detecting hidden raiders and cloaked Klingon vessels.

Current estimated indicate that 25 Type-1s and up to 20 Type-2s are currently in service, with none known to be lost. A production rate of 5 of each class had alarmed Star Fleet. The class is named for the Romulan *v'Stelam*.