

# Navy's futuristic destroyer makes port call in Rhode Island

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The U.S. Navy's futuristic Zumwalt destroyer has arrived in Rhode Island for its first port visit since leaving the shipyard to join the fleet.

The stealthy destroyer arrived at Naval Station Newport on Thursday.

It was built at Bath Iron Works in Maine and left there Wednesday. It's headed to its commissioning in Baltimore, then to its homeport in San Diego.

The 610-foot-long warship features an angular shape to minimize its radar signature, a powerful new gun system and a composite deckhouse that hides its radar and sensors.

It's the largest and most expensive destroyer built for the Navy, with a [price tag](#) of more than \$4.4 billion.

The naval station says there will be no public tours while the ship is in Rhode Island for the four-day port visit.



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