

In the above Plan the keelson of the upper deck are shown, to which the Hammocks are supposed to be suspended; for which purpose battens (which are two pieces of Oak one Inch and a quarter thick and one Inch and a half deep) are nailed along the lower edge of the upper deck beams, as represented by the faint lines in the Plan. These battens are kept three quarters of an Inch from the beams by pieces of Elm board. The Hammocks are hung by lanyards passing through the ornaments & over the battens, alternately at & over the fastenings by two half hitches. The lower lanyards are fastened to the battens on the other side of the beams, and the fore lanyards to those on the fore-sides of the beams; and thus the strain keeps the battens from rising in the middle.

To avoid the confusion generally incidental in removing & replacing of Hammocks, it is recommended to mark them with figures in Circles, that the more different divisions may be instantly discernible.

The four Hammocks forward are for the Yeoman of the nippers and his mates.

The next six are on each side, one for the forecastle men. The Circles to be black with white figures.

The next six on each side are for the fore top men. The Circles to be red with black figures.

The next six on each side are for the main top men. The Circles to be black with white figures.

The next four Hammocks numbered in numbers on each side are for the waiters. The Circles to be yellow with white figures.

For the greater perspicuity, this plan is drawn allowing 16 Inches in width for every Hammock; but if the complement of men be full, only 14 Inches for each Hammock can be allowed.

An Admiral, when on board, is under the poop, on the quarter deck.
A Captain under the quarter deck, on the upper deck.
Lieutenants, masters, and marine Officers, are in the wardroom in large ships, and in the gun-room in small ones, except the sixth Lieutenant and Gunner, who are in the Gun room.
Artificers, and Purser, are in the Cabin.
The Boatswain and Carpenter are under the forecabin in large ships, the Boatswain on the larboard side, the Carpenter on the starboard side. Sometimes in War, the Boatswain uses his block-room, & the Carpenter his pitch room. In small ships their cabins join the Gun room.
Midshipmen are in the Cabin, and the Surgeon in the Cabin tier.
At night, the Cabin tier is the Cabin tier, and the Cabin tier is the Cabin tier. In small ships the Midshipmen and masters mates are on the lower deck next to the warrant Officers cabins.

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