

## Republic Cruiser

The direct predecessor to the well-armed Corellian corvette, the peaceful Republic cruiser was assembled in the great orbital shipyards of Corellia, and serves as a testament to the quality and fame of Corellian spacecraft design.

One example of this vessel, the Radiant VII was a veteran of 34 years in service of the diplomatic corps of Coruscant itself, capital world of the Galactic Republic. This ship endured many adventures, bringing Jedi Knights, ambassadors and diplomats to trouble spots around the galaxy on missions of security and vital political significance until its destruction on board of a Trade Federation battleship.

Its interchangeable salon pods are well-armored and insulated against any kind of eavesdropping. In this safe haven, critical negotiations can take place and crises can be averted.

The Republic cruiser often serves as a neutral meeting ground for Republic officials and leaders of groups in conflict. To accommodate the many kinds of alien physiology in the galaxy, customized salon pods are available in the hangars on Coruscant, and the Republic cruiser can be equipped with any of these. In emergency situations, the entire salon pod can eject from the cruiser with its own sensors and independent life-support gear ready to sustain the diplomatic party on board.

The color of the Republic cruiser sends a message to all who see it. Scarlet declares the ship's diplomatic immunity and serves as a warning not to attack. Red is the color of ambassadorial relations and neutrality for spacecraft of the Galactic Republic, and has been for generations. This tradition would carry on even into the days of the Empire: Princess Leia Organa's consular vessel Tantive IV of Alderaan is striped in red to indicate its special diplomatic status. The extraordinary full-red color scheme of the Radiant VII signified that the ship came straight from the great capital world of Coruscant.

In order to communicate with any culture it may visit, the Republic cruiser sports a wide variety of dish and other communications antennas (years later, the Empire would standardize communications across the galaxy, making such an array unnecessary). On board the cruiser, two communications officers

specialize in operating the communication computers, deciphering strange languages and decoding the complex signal pulses of unorthodox alien transmissions.

Civilian models of the Corellian cruiser are used for straightforward transport purposes, but the scarlet Republic cruisers are dedicated to the special objectives of galactic political service. To accomplish their missions, Republic cruisers must often rely on their reputations as absolutely secure vessels for high-level diplomatic meetings and confrontations. For security reasons, crew is kept to a bare minimum, with many ship functions attended by simple utility droids.

Craft: Corellian Engineering Corporation's Space Cruiser

Type: Diplomatic transport

Scale: Capital

Length: 115 meters

Skill: Capital ship piloting: Republic cruiser

Crew: 8; Skeleton: 2/+15

Crew Skill: Varies dramatically

Passengers: 16

Cargo Capacity: 550 metric tons

Consumables: 1 year

Cost: Not available for sale

Hyperdrive Multiplier: x3.2

Nav Computer: Yes

Maneuverability: 1D+2

Space: 6

Atmosphere: 330; 950 kmh

Hull: 3D

Shields: 1D

Sensors:

Passive: 35/1D

Scan: 70/2D

Search: 90/3D

Focus: 3/3D+2

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