



Cars Don't Float!

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Water-Cars

Do you normally ride cars everywhere or use the bus or subway. But have you ever taken a boat around the river? They can be faster than waiting in traffic. Do you even take notice of the boats that appear on the river when you take a stroll in the park? There are many boats floating along when you might pay your attention to the cars on the street when your walking around the river. But boats have amazing uses. They could be “water-cars” if you think about it.

Carrier Boats



As you can see there are two big cranes are on top of the boats and the little brown boxes are what holds the supplies. This is a boat that carries crates and cranes but at the moment it isn't not doing anything.

The Intrepid (1943-1974)



The Intrepid was a war boat that carried air crafts for World War 2. The Intrepid is now a museum but it still holds some planes on the boat. It is now not in commission and doesn't do much. It's mainly a place for tourists.



Sailboat

A sailboat has many uses such as sailing. Sailboats also sometimes compete in races to see what sailboat is the fastest. It also has many other uses one of them being fishing. This sailboat is currently just sailing down the river by Roosevelt Island with a couple people on board.



USS San Antonio (LPD 17)

The USS San Antonio was a war boat with advanced technology such as sensor systems and self defense systems. It had many advanced war mentalities for it's time. It was made for foes from the 21st sentry.



Ferry/Tour Boat/The Circle Line

A Ferry or a Tour boat travels across the rivers. A Ferry takes people across the water to go to another place. A tour boat takes tourists around New York on the water side. They have similar characteristics such as taking people around different areas. Many tour boats are used for sightseeing the things around the river. A famous boat for sightseeing is the Circle Line.



Speed Boats

A speed boat is a boat that runs on a motor and goes faster than most boats. You can normally see trails of water current trailing away. They are also smaller than boats like Ferries or War Boats.

Fleet Week and the Intrepid

- + A place where the pictures of war boats were taken on West 45th on 12th Avenue. That is where people keep war boats and other water vehicles.
- + The Intrepid was used as a plane transport boat in World War II. It was finally shut down on March 15th 1974. The Intrepid is now a museum with many boats around it.
- + One of those boats is the USS San Antonio. When I went to 42nd street there were many boats from “fleet week”. Fleet week is when boats and their captains come to different places to be celebrated. The news interviewed captains from some of the ships from fleet week.



Boat You Can Buy Or Ride

- + The other boats such as the Sailboat were taken in Roosevelt Island. People float along the river from time to time throughout the day.
- + Five thousand years ago the Mesopotamians started using sailing boats this was the first start of the sailboats. Before motors sails were a very effective thing on boats. Many people used to use it.
- + The motor boat or a speed boat is a boat with an engine. That uses power instead of wind. It is much faster than the sail boat.
- + Tour boats aren't very special but they do hold people that want to look around New York from the water.
- + Ferries are used to get from a place to another place surrounded by water or just a way to get from place to a place efficiently.

