

Noble BlackHawk



General description

The Noble BlackHawk is a robust dual activity drill ship designed for reliable drilling and well abandonment operations in deepwater and ultra-deepwater depths. Its integrated hull design supports efficient well construction, intervention, and decommissioning activities with a minimal environmental footprint. The Noble BlackHawk has a proven track record of reducing well construction time by a relentless focus on efficiency. It is outfitted with a dual BOP system, deep water heave compensated crane, dual mud systems and an integrated MPD system.

General description

Design	Gusto P10000
Year built/updated	2014
Year entered service	2014
Builder	HHI
Flag	Marshall Islands
Classification	ABS, Drilling Unit, A1, AMS, ACCU, ABS MPD, DPS-3, CPS, CRC, GP, HELIDK(SRF), PMP+, SFA(25), SH-DLA, UWILD
MODU Code	2009
Overall Length	757 ft
Draft	36 ft
Depth	60 ft
Displacement	70,459 t
Variable deck load	21,150 t
Transit speed	12 knots
Water depth	12,000 ft
Drilling depth	40,000 ft
Accommodation	210
Hook load	2.5MM lbs (main), 1.5MM lbs (aux)
Moonpool	73 ft x 32 ft (effective), 115 ft x 32 ft (main deck)

Applications

NORMS	Real Time Monitoring	Ops Performance Tool	On The Go
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Storage capacity

Liquid mud	15,004 bbls
Base oil	7,212 bbls
Brine	13,175 bbls
Bulk cement	16,100 cuft
Bulk bentonite	8,050 cuft
Bulk barite	8,050 cuft
Sacks	6,000
Fuel	47,425 bbls
Drill water	18,596 bbls
Potable water	8,834 bbls

Drilling equipment

Derrick	NOV DDBN; 80 ft x 60 ft x 210 ft; 1,250 st main & 750 st aux
Drawworks	1 x NOV AHD-1250 rated for 2,500 kips (main) 1 x NOV AHD-750 rated for 1,500 kips (aux)
Motion Compensator	AHC (main, aux), PHC (main)
Rotary Table	1 x NOV RST 75 1/2" hydraulic (main) 1 x NOV RST 60 1/2" hydraulic (aux)
Top Drive	1 x NOV TDX-1250 (main) 1 x NOV TDS-8S (aux)
Tubular Handling	2 x NOV Hydraracker IV-ER
Fingerboard capacity	375 Stds 6 5/8" DP, 20 Stds 6 5/8" HWDP, 44 Stds BHA, 77 Stds CSG
Mud Pumps	5 x NOV 14-P-220, 2,200hp, 7,500 psi
Solids Control System	6 x NOV VSM
Iron Roughneck	1 x NOV MPT 270 (main, Q4 2026) 1 x NOV MPT 200 (aux)

Sub sea equipment

Diverter	Vetco CSO 21-1/4" 500 psi diverter with 1 x 20" flow line + 2 x 16" overboard diverter lines
Dual BOP	Yes
BOP stack	2 x Hydril 18 3/4" 15k psi seven-ram preventer
LMRP	2 x Hydril 18 3/4" 10k psi annular preventers
C&K manifold	WOM, 15k psi
Marine riser	Vetco HMF Class H 21", 75 ft long per joint, 10,000 ft, below deck storage
Tensioners	16 x 225 kips NOV wireline riser tensioners. Capacity 3,600 kips with 50 t of wire travel
XT Carts	1 x 120 t NOV Xmas Tree Trolley

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Noble BlackHawk Rig Crew

Power generation

Closed Bus	Linear Closed Bus
Main power	6 x 4,500 kW, Himsen at 720 rpm 2 x 9,000 kW, Himsen at 720 rpm
Electrical power	6 x 5,375 kVA, 11kV, generators 2 x 10,875 kVA, 11kV, generators
Emergency power	1 x 1,900 kW STX, 1,500 kW, 440V, generator

Cranes

Main cranes	2 x 85 t electro-hydraulic knuckle-boom cranes 1 x 100 t electro-hydraulic knuckle-boom cranes
Subsea cranes	1 x 165 t AHC knuckle-boom, subsea capable
X-Mas Tree / BOP	2 x 240 t NOV BOP Gantry Crane
Other	1 x 20 t Box Boom – Well Test Deck

Other Systems

MPD	2 x 6" and 2 x 3" Chokes, fixed Installation, Safekick with AFG IRJ
Burner booms	N/A
Dual Well Centers	Yes
Automation	Cyberbase
Red Zone Management	Helin, camera with alarm
On the Go	Yes
H56 Enabled	No
Data Infrastructure	Real time data monitoring
Other	N/A

Real Time Data Provision

Drilling	VMS	BOP	MPD
		2026	

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Unique Capabilities and Enhancements

Technology	The vessel is equipped with advanced automation, real-time data systems, MPD, and Red Zone Management capabilities,
Energy Efficiency	Its unique combination of different engine sizes allows more efficient engine usage utilizing a linear closed bus.
Drill floor	Top drives installed on both main and aux well center

Station keeping / Propulsion system

Mooring system	N/A
Mooring winches	N/A
Thrusters	6 x 5,000kW, Thrustmaster, azimuth thrusters with fixed pitch variable speed propellers
DP system	Kongsberg SDP-22 System for DPS-3 Operations
Position reference systems	2 x HPR / 3 x DGPS

