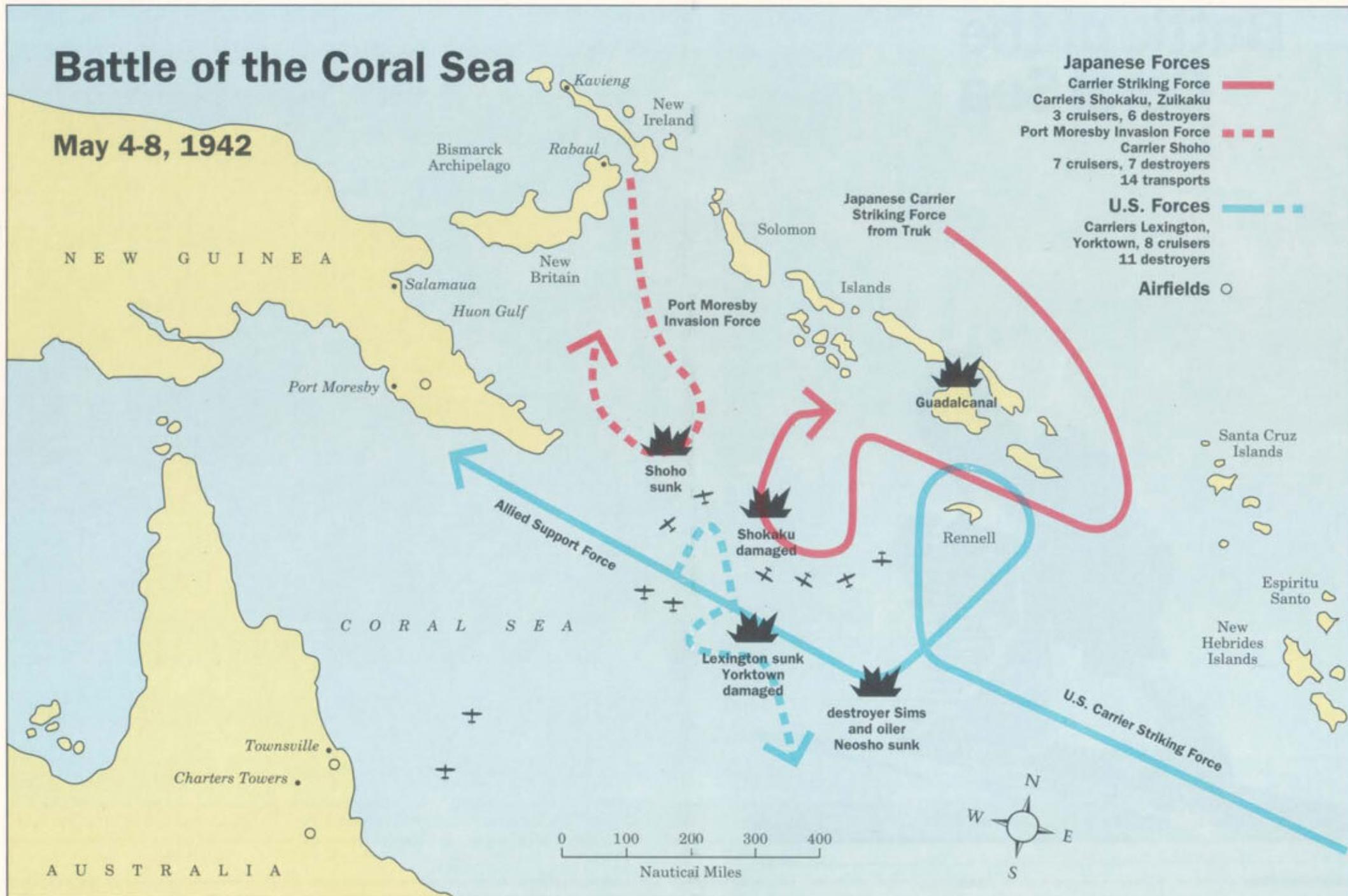


# Battle of the Coral Sea

May 4-8, 1942



# The Battle of Midway

June 4-5, 1942

## Japanese Forces

Carriers Akagi, Kaga, Hiryu, and Soryu  
Supporting Forces  
2 battleships, 5 cruisers,  
8 destroyers,  
1 small carrier

## U.S. Forces

Carrier Yorktown  
2 cruisers, 5 destroyers  
Carriers Enterprise and Hornet, 6 cruisers,  
9 destroyers

Airstrike launched against Midway

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Midway-based aircraft attack

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Japanese fleet turns north to intercept U.S. forces

Kaga, Akagi, and Soryu hit and sunk by aircraft from Yorktown and Enterprise

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Hiryu launches strikes on U.S. carriers

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Hiryu scuttled

Hiryu hit by aircraft from Enterprise

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Hiryu sighted

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Hiryu's planes hit Yorktown

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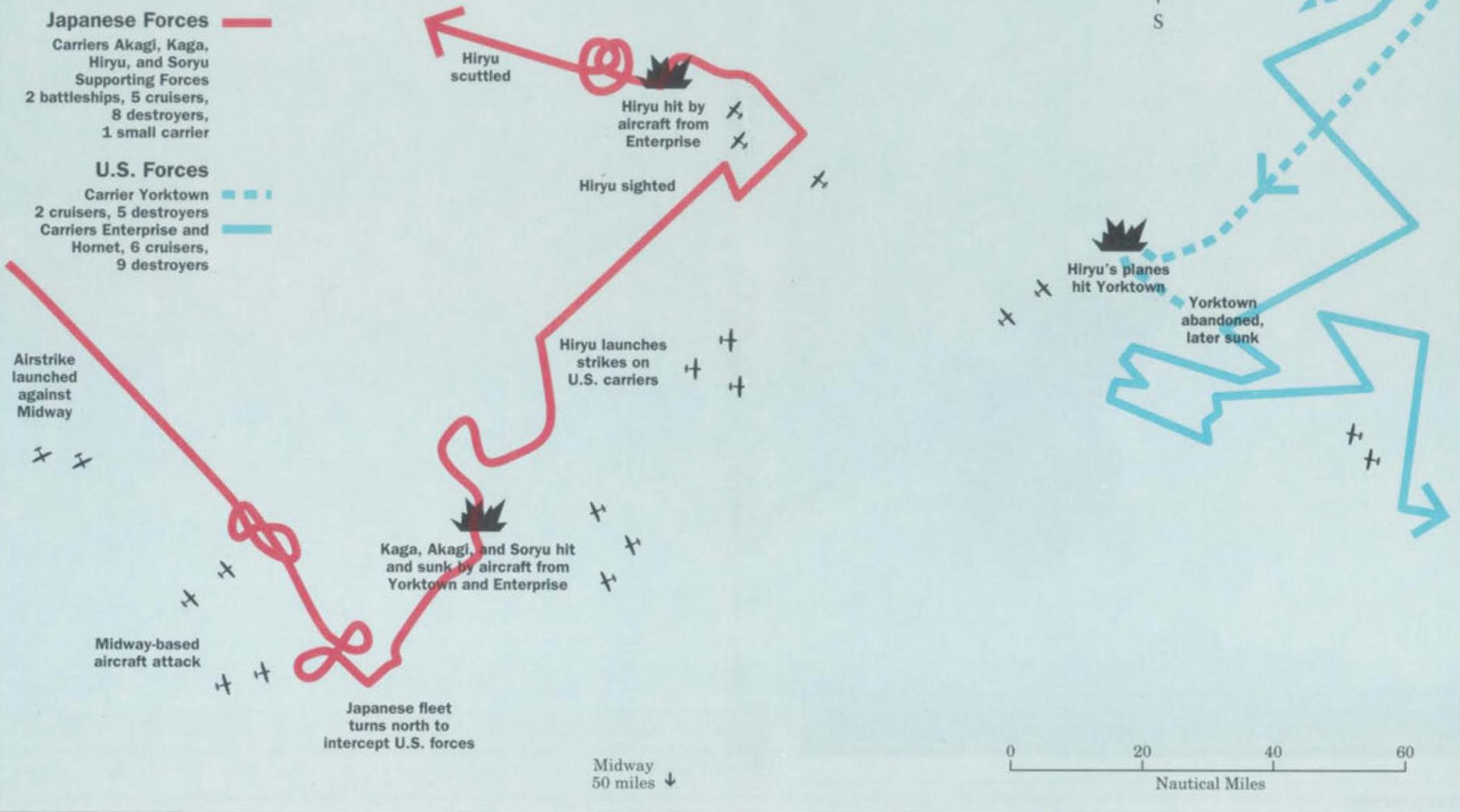
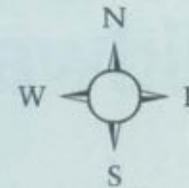
Yorktown abandoned, later sunk

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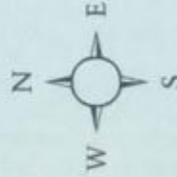
Midway 50 miles ↓

0 20 40 60  
Nautical Miles



# Battle of the Eastern Solomons

August 23-25, 1942



Lord Howe Island

Roncador Reef

Santa Isabel

New Georgia

Russell Island

Florida

Henderson Field

Guadalcanal

Malaita

San Cristobol

Rennell

Stewart Island

Japanese planes attack Enterprise

Ryuju planes attack Henderson Field

Jintsu damaged, Mutsuki sunk by bombers from Henderson Field

Enterprise damaged

U.S. planes attack Ryuju

Shokaku damaged

Chitose damaged

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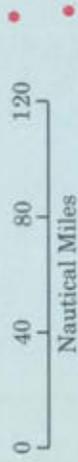
- Striking Force
- Vanguard Force
- Diversionary Group
- Transport Group
- Bombardment Group
- Submarine

Japanese Forces  
Carriers Zuikaku and Shokaku, 2 battleships, 1 light carrier (Ryujo), 1 seaplane carrier (Chitose), 45 other surface vessels, 9 submarines

## U.S. Forces

- Enterprise and Saratoga
- Wasp

U.S. Forces Carriers Enterprise, Saratoga, and Wasp, Battleship North Carolina, 9 cruisers, 17 destroyers



# Battle of the Santa Cruz Islands

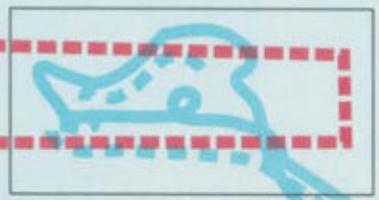
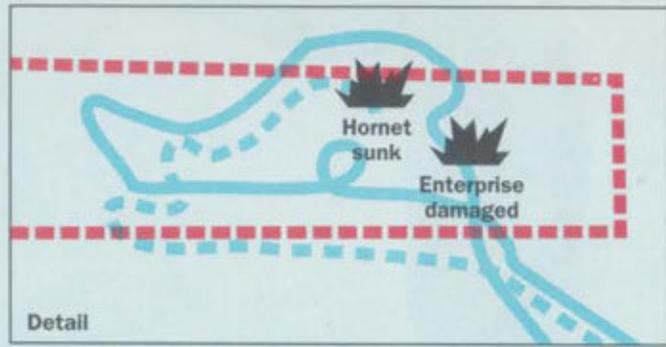
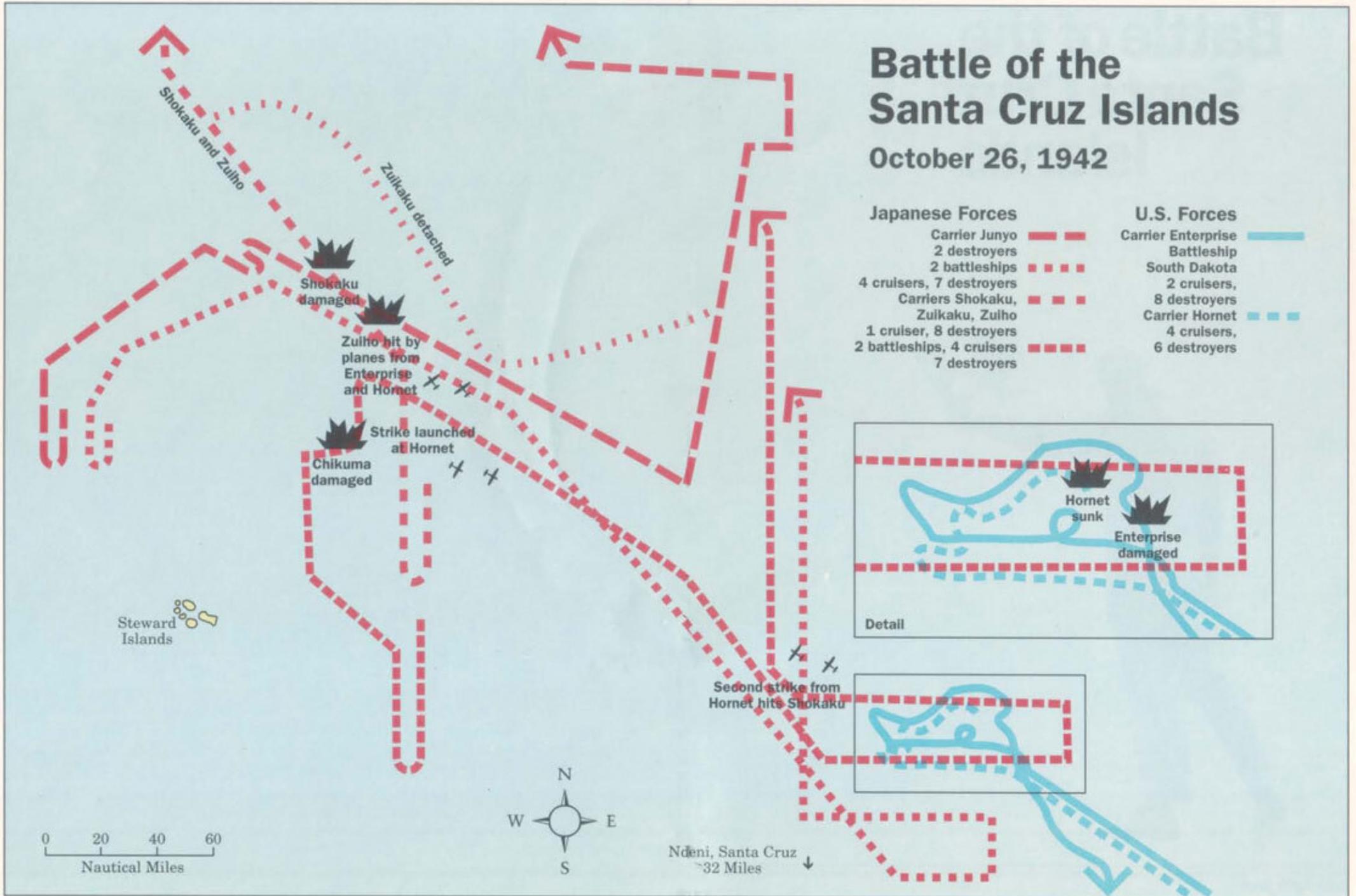
October 26, 1942

## Japanese Forces

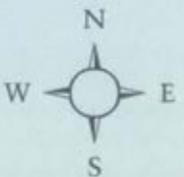
- Carrier Junyo
- 2 destroyers
- 2 battleships
- 4 cruisers, 7 destroyers
- Carriers Shokaku, Zuikaku, Zuho
- 1 cruiser, 8 destroyers
- 2 battleships, 4 cruisers
- 7 destroyers

## U.S. Forces

- Carrier Enterprise
- Battleship
- South Dakota
- 2 cruisers, 7 destroyers
- 8 destroyers
- Carrier Hornet
- 4 cruisers, 6 destroyers



0 20 40 60  
Nautical Miles



Ndeni, Santa Cruz  
~32 Miles