

Jane (freighter)

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JANE. A modified freighter once used by G.I. Joe as a base for naval operations. The Jane resembled a typical freighter, but featured a number of modifications including a deck gatling gun and a cargo area that could carry smaller ships such as the Whale hovercraft. The smaller craft could be deployed from the opening bay doors at the front of the freighter. The ship's deck had room for a helicopter to land. The freighter's crew was usually under the command of Cutter and included Deep Six. The Jane's many operations included serving as a base for the Joe team's attack on Cobra forces in the Florida Everglades. On a later mission, the Jane launched a hovercraft to scout out Cobra's base on a small atoll on the South Atlantic. After dropping off the hovercraft, the freighter had to contend with rough seas, but the situation worsened when the ship came under attack from Cobra Rattler jets. Cutter, Deep Six, Tripwire and Doc fought back with the gatling gun but the crashing waves eventually washed out the gun's control system. The ship took heavy damage from the Rattlers and caught fire before Deep Six unpacked a Mobile Missile System launcher and helped take down the Rattlers. The gatling gun was repaired in time to destroy the final Rattler, but the damage to the Jane was too great. The burning freighter Jane sunk beneath the waves and was lost, though the crew escaped in a life raft and were later rescued by the U.S.S. Flagg aircraft carrier.

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