

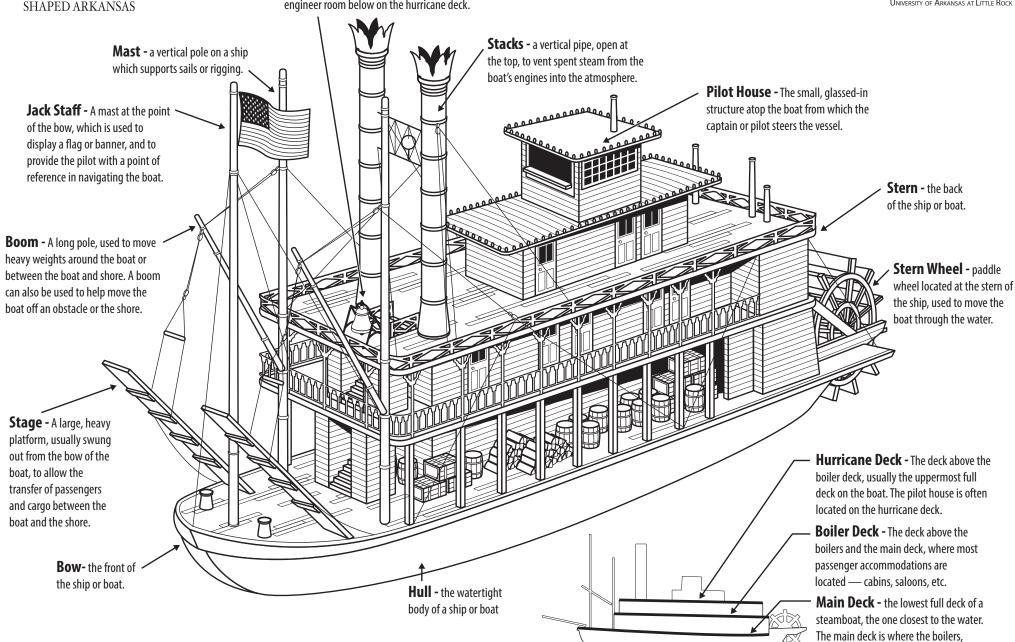
HOW STEAMBOATS

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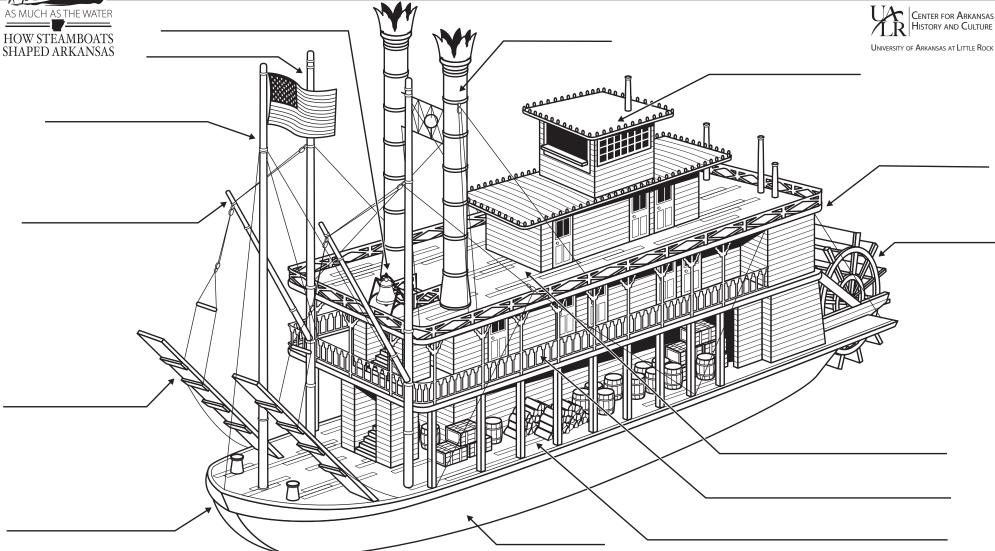


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Identify the parts of a steamboat



Hull - the watertight bottom of a ship or boat.

Bow- the front of the ship or boat.

Stern - the back of the ship or boat.

Mast - a vertical pole on a ship which supports sails or rigging.

Main Deck - the lowest full deck of a steamboat, the one closest to the water. The main deck is where the boilers, engines and most machinery is located.

Boiler Deck - The deck above the boilers and the main deck, where most passenger accommodations are located — cabins, saloons, etc.

Hurricane Deck - The deck above the boiler deck, usually the uppermost full deck on the boat. The pilot house is often located on the hurricane deck.

Jack Staff - A mast at the point of the bow, which is used to display a flag or banner, and to provide the pilot with a point of reference in navigating the boat.

Stage - A large, heavy platform, usually swung out from the bow of the boat, to allow the transfer of passengers and cargo between the boat and the shore.

Boom - A long pole, used to move heavy weights around the boat or between the boat and shore. A boom can also be used to help move the boat off an obstacle or the shore.

Pilot House - The small, glassed-in structure atop the boat from which the captain or pilot steers the vessel.

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Stacks - a vertical pipe, open at the top, to vent spent steam from the boat's engines into the atmosphere.

Stern Wheel - paddle wheel located at the stern of the ship, used to move the boat through the water.