

# paddle wheel *(pad-dle-wheel)*

## Definition

n. A large wheel fitted with paddles and driven by an engine in order to propel a boat.

## Example Sentence

The steamboat was powered by a large **paddle wheel** at its stern.

## More Example Sentences

As the **paddle wheel** turned, it churned the water and pushed the boat forward.

## Synonyms

water wheel; rotor; impeller

## Antonyms

propeller; turbine; jet

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