



Ship Fact Sheet



EMPIRE GALENA (1943) later ALBATROSS

*Base data at 6 March 1947. Compiled October 2009
* indicates entries changed during P&O Group service.*

<i>Type</i>	General cargo ship
<i>P&O Group service</i>	1947-1958
<i>P&O Group status</i>	Owned by subsidiary company
<i>Former name(s)</i>	<i>Weserstrom</i>
<i>Registered owners, managers and operators</i>	General Steam Navigation Company Ltd
<i>Builders</i>	John Cockerill SA
<i>Yard</i>	Hoboken, Antwerp
<i>Country</i>	Belgium
<i>Yard number</i>	
<i>Registry</i>	
<i>Official number</i>	180579
<i>Signal letters</i>	
<i>Call sign</i>	
<i>Classification society</i>	Lloyd's Register
<i>Gross tonnage</i>	2,020 grt
<i>Net tonnage</i>	858 nrt
<i>Deadweight</i>	2,956 tons
<i>Length</i>	91.77m (301.0ft)
<i>Breadth</i>	13.53m (44.3ft)
<i>Depth</i>	7.05m (23.1ft)
<i>Draught</i>	5.520m (18.1ft)
<i>Engines</i>	Compound steam engine
<i>Engine builders</i>	Rheinmetall-Borsig AG
<i>Works</i>	Berlin
<i>Country</i>	Germany
<i>Power</i>	1,200 ihp
<i>Propulsion</i>	Single screw
<i>Speed</i>	10 knots
<i>Passenger capacity</i>	
<i>Cargo capacity</i>	4,862 cubic metres
<i>Crew</i>	
<i>Employment</i>	

Career

- 25.08.1943: Launched.
01.1944: Delivered as *Weserstrom* for Norddeutscher Lloyd.
05.1945: Taken as a prize at Kiel and renamed *Empire Galena* by the Ministry of War Transport.
06.03.1947: Sold to the General Steam Navigation Company Ltd.
30.07.1947: Renamed *Albatross*.
02.04.1958: Sold to National Shipping Lines of South Africa for £51,500 and renamed *Port Capetown*.
1959: Sold to African Coasters (Pty) Ltd, Durban, and renamed *Frontier*.
1966: Sold to Summit Nay Co, Hong Kong and renamed *Fortune*.
12.1968: Sold for breaking up at Hong Kong.

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