



Ship Fact Sheet



CHAKDINA (1951) later STRATHLAIRG

Base data at 11 September 1951. Compiled November 2009

* indicates entries changed during P&O Group service.

Type	General cargo liner
P&O Group service	1951-1977
P&O Group status*	Owned by subsidiary company
Former name(s)	
Registered owners*, managers* and operators*	British India Steam Navigation Company Ltd
Builders	Swan, Hunter & Wigham Richardson Ltd
Yard	Low Walker, Newcastle
Country	UK
Yard number	1880
Registry	London, UK
Official number	184500
Call sign	GFSF
IMO/LR number	5067778
Classification society	Lloyd's Register
Gross tonnage	7,267 grt
Net tonnage	4,107 nrt
Deadweight	9,377 tons
Length	147.67m (484.5ft) loa; 138.92m (455.8ft) b/p
Breadth	19.11m (62.7ft)
Depth	12.43m (40.8ft)
Draught	8.290m (27.2ft)
Engines	6-cylinder 2 SCSA Doxford diesel engine
Engine builders	Swan, Hunter & Wigham Richardson Ltd
Works	Low Walker, Newcastle
Country	UK
Power	6,800 bhp
Propulsion	Single screw
Speed	14.5 knots (service); 17.22 knots (trials)
Passenger capacity	12
Cargo capacity	2,669 cubic metres (94,275 cubic feet) insulated and 12,050 cubic metres (425,540 cubic feet) general
Crew	
Employment	Far Easter and Australian services

Career

- 21.05.1951: Launched by Miss G Simon, daughter of J G Simon, British India Steam Navigation Company's Managing Director.
- 11.09.1951: Delivered as *Chakdina* for the British India Steam Navigation Company Ltd. She was the tenth ship of the 13-strong C-class delivered to the company.
- 24.03.1952: Mined off Terschelling (53°31'N-05°06'E). Fortunately the damage was only minor and she was able to reach port for repairs.
- 07.10.1964: Suffered a minor fire in the cotton-waste cargo while berthed in Victoria Dock at Melbourne but it was brought under control after three hours.
- 01.10.1971: Management transferred to P&O General Cargo Division.
- 19.04.1973: Ownership transferred to The Peninsular and Oriental Steam Navigation Company.
- 25.10.1975: Renamed *Strathlairg*.
- 07.1976: Dry-docked at Auckland to repair a leak in her hull.
- 17.08.1977: Sold to Lieng Hung Steel Enterprise Company Ltd, Taiwan.
- 19.08.1977: Arrived at Kaohsiung.
- 24.10.1977: Demolition commenced.

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