



Ship Fact Sheet



DELTA (1905)

Base data at 25 September 1905. Last amended November 2008

* indicates entries changed during P&O Group service.

Type	Passenger liner
P&O Group service	1905-1929
P&O Group status	Owned by parent company
Former name(s)	
Registered owners, managers and operators	The Peninsular and Oriental Steam Navigation Company
Builders	Workman, Clark & Co Ltd
Yard	Belfast
Country	UK
Yard number	218
Registry	Belfast, UK
Official number	120709
Signal letters	HDMF
Classification society	Lloyd's Register
Gross tonnage	8,053 grt
Net tonnage	4,744 nrt
Deadweight*	8,024 tons
Length	143.27m (470.2ft)
Breadth	17.22m (56.5ft)
Depth	9.63m (31.6ft)
Draught*	8.436m (27ft 8¼in)
Engines	Quadruple-expansion steam engines
Engine builders	Workman, Clark & Co Ltd
Works	Belfast
Country	UK
Power	8,000 ihp
Propulsion	Twin screw
Speed	16 knots
Passenger capacity	160 first class, 80 second class
Cargo capacity	10,167 cubic metres (359,080 cubic feet)
Crew	217 (66 European, 151 Asian). Deck 20 European, 40 Asian; engine room 11 European, 79 Asian; purser's department 40 European, 32 Asian
Employment	China mail service

Career

- 04.07.1905: Launched.
- 25.09.1905: Registered and delivered as *Delta* for The Peninsular and Oriental Steam Navigation Company at a cost of £159,783. One of the D-class built for the Chinese services.
- 1905: Maiden voyage to Bombay to join Bombay/Far East mail service.
- 26.07.1906: Collided with P&O's *Somali* at Bombay with considerable damage.
- 1906-1914: Colombo/Straits/Japan connecting services.
- 05.1914: Deadweight 8,414 tons. Draught 8.627m (28ft 3¾in).
- 08.1914: Hospital ship on the Tsingtau operations. Later an Expeditionary Force Transport.
- 01.1915: Military hospital ship.
- 1918: Supply operations under the Liner Requisition Scheme.
- 1919: Repatriated Australian troops.
- 11.1919: Complete overhaul.
- 1920: Collision in fog with steamer *Wimbledon* in the Thames, and briefly beached.
- 1922: Carried the Shah of Persia and his suite to Marseilles.
- 28.08.1929: Sold to Sakaguchi Sadakichi Shosen KK, Japan, for demolition at Kobe.

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