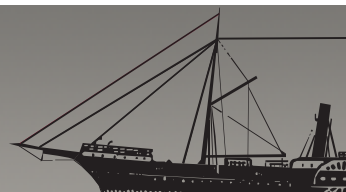




Ship Fact Sheet



FORMOSA (1852)

Base data at 4 June 1852. Last amended November 2008

* indicates entries changed during P&O Group service.

Type	Passenger/cargo liner
P&O Group service	1852-1870
P&O Group status	Owned by parent company
Former name(s)	Launched for other owners as <i>Caledonia</i>
Registered owners, managers and operators	The Peninsular and Oriental Steam Navigation Company
Builders	Smith & Rodger
Yard	Govan
Country	UK
Yard number	
Registry	London, UK
Official number	31233
Signal letters	
Classification society	Lloyd's Register
Gross tonnage*	800 grt
Net tonnage	458 nrt
Deadweight	
Length	62.00m (203.5ft)
Breadth	7.74m (25.4ft)
Depth	5.03m (16.5ft)
Draught	4.110m (13.6ft)
Construction (if not steel)	Iron
Engines	Vertical direct-acting steam engine
Engine builders	Smith & Rodger
Works	Govan
Country	UK
Power	800 ihp
Propulsion	Single screw
Speed	8 knots
Passenger capacity	
Cargo capacity	
Crew	
Employment	Far East services

Career

- 17.04.1852: Launched as *Caledonia* for Malcolmson Brothers, Waterford.
 05.1852: Purchased by The Peninsular and Oriental Steam Navigation Company Ltd.
- 11.06.1852: Sailed from her builders as *Formosa*.
 13.06.1852: Arrived at Southampton.
 29.06.1852: Registered.
 07.08.1852: Sailed from Southampton via Tenerife, St Helena, Cape and Port Philip to Sydney (arrived 22nd October) to join *Chusan* on the Australia service. Thence to Port Philip, Adelaide, King George Sound and Galle (arrived 15th December).
- 18.12.1852: Engine failure two days out of Galle.
 1853: Calcutta or Bombay/Far East services.
- 21.12.1856: One voyage Calcutta/Labuan (called 14th January) Hong Kong.
 1857: Gross tonnage re-stated as 675 grt.
- 11.03.1861: Chartered to the French Government and employed on their Singapore/Saigon transport service until 17th April 1862.
- 24.04.1864: Broke down 9 hours from Hong Kong bound for Foochow. Towed back.
- 25.03.1867: Struck a rock off Ooksen Island and was beached at Amoy on 28th March for repairs.
- 12.06.1867: Stood by wreck of *Benares* on the Fisherman Islands.
- 12.12.1870: Sold for £4,312 to J S Lapraik and D Gullies, Hong Kong.
 07.1873: Sold to George Armstrong, Manila.
 1875: Sold to R Craig, Amoy, and registered at Hong Kong.
 1876: Sold to China Navigation Co Ltd, and reduced to a hulk at Shanghai.
 1929: Reported sold to Chinese owners. No further details.

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