



MV San Alvaro (+1944)

Details

general

nationality: [british](#)
 purpose: [transport](#)
 type: [tanker](#)
 propulsion: [motor vessel](#)
 date built: 1935

details

weight (tons): 7385 grt
 dimensions: 141,7 x 18,4 x 9,8 m
 engine: 8cyl diesel engine
 power: 502 n.h.p.
 speed: 12 knots

about the loss

cause lost: [torpedo](#)
 date lost: [22/02/1944](#) [dd/mm/yyyy]
 casualties:

about people

builder:  [Swan, Hunter & Wigham Richardson Ltd., Newcastle-Upon-Tyne](#)
 owner:  [Eagle Oil & Shipping Co. Ltd., London](#)

captain:

about the wreck

depth:
 orientation:
 protected:
 war grave:

updates

entered by: [Allen Tony](#)
 entered: 17/01/2008
 last update: [Vleqqeert Nicó](#)
 last update: 28/09/2009

Position

[Allen Tony](#) 17/01/2008

latitude: 13°46'0X" N
 longitude: 048°49'0X" E
 division: 1' = 60"
 remarks: Position is PA.
 ref. used: [www.ubootwaffe.net](#)

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History

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On 22 Feb, 1944, U-510 made two attacks at the convoy PA-69 off Majhada, about 200 miles from Aden and reported two tankers and one freighter sunk, one freighter was left burning and sinking and one other freighter was damaged by one torpedo. Three tankers were hit, the San Alvaro, E.G. Seubert and Erling Brøvig. It is not clear whether one ship was hit by two torpedoes. The San Alvaro (Master George Arthur H.

Knott) caught fire and was abandoned. One gunner was lost. The master, 42 crew members, eight gunners and one passenger (DBS) were picked up by the HMAS Tamworth (J 181) (Lt F.E. Eastman), which sank the wreck by gunfire and depth charges in 13°46N/48°55E. The survivors were landed at Aden on 23 February.

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San Alvaro MV was a British Motor Tanker of 7,385 tons built in 1935. On the 22nd February 1944 when on route from ABADAN & BANDAR ABBAS for ADEN & SUEZ she was torpedoed by German submarine U-510 and sunk. 1 crew lost from a total of 53.

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Documents

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About Owner(s)



Eagle Oil & Shipping Co. Ltd., London
Eagle Oil and Shipping Co. was merged into Shell International Petroleum Company in 1959.

About Builder(s)



Swan, Hunter & Wigham Richardson Ltd., Newcastle-Upon-Tyne

From: Janes Fighting Ships 1919
SWAN, HUNTER & WIGHAM RICHARDSON, LTD. (WALLSEND-ON-TYNE), Twenty-one building berths, fifteen of which are served by overhead electric cranes. Four berths covered in. Employees : about 8000. Annual gross shipbuilding capacity (1918) : 150,000 tons. Engine works : 100,000 H.P. output per year. The dry docks dept, includes a large repairing yard with two graving docks and two floating docks. Engine works have developed the Neptune and Polar marine oil engines. Total area of works : 78 acres. Water frontage : 4000 ft. Shipyard also at Southwick-on-Wear, with three building berths. Allied firms are the Wallsend Slipway & Engineering Co., Ltd., Wallsend ; Barclay, Curle & Co., Ltd., of Whiteinch, Govan. Elderslie and Glasgow.



LAT: 29°43,4XXN LON: 53°42,4XXE

