



SS Arabis [+1917]

Details

general

nationality: [british](#)
 purpose: [transport](#)
 type: [cargo](#)
 propulsion: [steamer](#)
 date built: 1914
 status: [live](#) [+](#)

details

weight (tons): 3928 grt
 dimensions: 106,7 x 14,4 x 7,5 m
 engine: diesel engines, twin screws
 armament: armed merchantship
 power: 302 n.h.p.
 speed: 10 knots

about the loss

cause lost: [torpedo](#)
 date lost: [16/09/1917](#) [dd/mm/yyyy]
 casualties: [↑ 20 rank 409](#)

about people

builder: [🇬🇧 Smith's Dock Co. Ltd. \(T. & W. Smith\), Middlesbrough](#)
 owner: [🇬🇧 M. Samuel & Co., London](#)
 captain:

about the wreck

depth: 3000 max. / -- min. (m)
 orientation:
 entered by: [Allen Tony](#)
 entered: 23/08/2007
 last update: [Allen Tony](#)
 last update: 30/07/2010

Position

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latitude: 46°53.0XX' N
 longitude: 009°08.9XX' W
 system: WGS84
 division: 1'=1000

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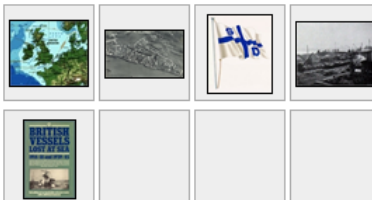
The Wreck today

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Pictures

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History

[Vlegqeert Nico](#) 01/02/2009

Torpedoed and sunk by U-54 on passage Sfax,Tunesia for Falmouth with phosphate rock.

ref. used:[www.uboot.net](#)[Allen Tony](#) 23/08/2007

Arabis was a 3,928grt, defensively-armed British Merchant steamship. On the 16th September 1917 when 210 miles W by S from Ushant she was, torpedoed without warning and sunk by submarine. 20 lives lost including Master.

ref. [His Majesty's Stationary Office, British used: Merchant Shipping \(Losses\) WW1](#)

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Documents

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About Builder(s)

[Smith's Dock Co. Ltd. \(T. & W. Smith\), Middlesbrough](#)

Smiths Dock Company of High Docks, South Shields, are often referred to simply as Smith's Dock, was a British shipbuilding company that became associated with South Bank in Middlesbrough on the River Tees in Northeast England, after opening an operation there in 1907. Smiths Dock are perhaps most famous for preparing the design of the Flower class corvette, an anti-submarine convoy escort of WWII. In 1914 listed as Marine Engineers. During WWI the yard's output was 160 small ships. In the 1920's the yard began arc-welding along with riveting. Up to 1930 the yard mainly made colliers, tramps and cargo-liners. - In 1930 the yard entered the depression with a number of orders on its books. The worst year for the yard was 1932 when it was only able to launch one motor trawler. In 1931 the Stockton yard of Smiths Dock Co Ltd was purchased by National Shipbuilders Security for closure and dismantling. In 1936 the "Flower" class corvette based on the design of the whale-catcher Southern Pride, made its debut. 19 were made by the yard and 200 by other yards. During the 1940s the yard made a number of cargo ships, tramps, colliers and the last case-oil carrier. In 1966 the yard was sold to Swan, Hunter and Wigham Richardson with the yard becoming part of the Swan Hunter Group later in the same year.



LAT: 49°22,5XXN LON: 6°58,5XXW

