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Shell Tankers

History

The company had small beginnings. Founded by Marcus Samuel in the last quarter of the 19th Century to trade with antiques and trinkets - especially boxes decorated with seashells - coming from the East. The Shell logo was initially based on the mussel shell but changed to the scallop shell in 1904.

The company went on to handle a wider range of cargos including kerosene from Russia. Shell built the first tankers and named them after various types of seashells. In 1897 the company moved into petroleum production and refining and merged with the Royal Dutch Company to create Royal Dutch Shell.

Royal Dutch Shell took over various other companies throughout the world. When they took over Mexican Eagle Petroleum Company the company name was changed to Shell-Mex. The name was changed again to Shell-Mex and BP after merger with the UK company British Petroleum (BP).

Although two world wars affected the business, the advent of the motor car and aeroplane led to rapid growth after WW2 and the company was producing about one-seventh of the world's oil output by the mid 1960s.

Shell-Mex and BP split up in 1975 but the oil company is still one of the largest in the world.

In view of the variation in owning companies, and that the collectors recorded this in many cases, an additional column of information is shown.

Ships

Vessel Name	Shipping Company	Vessel Type	Launched/Completed	Tonnage	DWT	Builder
Abida	Maatschappij tot financiering N.V.	Tanker 890,500 CuFt	March 1958. Yard No: 620	Gross: 12226 Net: 6975	18000	N.V. Maach & Scheeps. P. Smit Jnr. Rotterdam
Acavus	Tanker Finance Ltd.	Tanker 894,093 CuFt	Sept 1958. Yard No: 867	Gross: 12326 Net: 7477	18936	Bremer Vulkan, Vegesak
Achatina		No Info				
Acila	Maatschappij tot financiering N.V.	Tanker 891,065 CuFt	Aug 1958. Yard No: 621	Gross: 12221 Net: 6973	18000	N.V. Maach & Scheeps. P. Smit Jnr. Rotterdam
Acmaea	Van Bedrijfspanden N.V.	Tanker 888,000 CuFt	1959. Yard No: 622	Gross: 12222 Net: 6992	18892	N.V. Maach & Scheeps. P. Smit Jnr. Rotterdam
Acteon		No Info				
Alinda	Shell Bermuda (Overseas) Ltd.	Tanker 890,000 CuFt	10/12/1958. Yard No: 1254	Gross: 12301 Net: 7001	18317	Smith's Dock Co. Ltd. Middlesbrough
Aluco		No Info	1959?			
Amastra	Anglo Saxon Petroleum Co.	Tanker 607,355 CuFt	18/12/1935.	Gross: 8172 Net: 4519	12117	Lithgows Ltd. Port Glasgow
Amastra	Tanker Finance Ltd.	Tanker 890,493 CuFt	July 1958. Yard No: 1252	Gross: 12273 Net: 6985	18815	Smith's Dock Co. Ltd. Middlesbrough
Amaria	Tanker Finance Ltd.	Tanker 887,000 CuFt	May 1960. Yard No: 1257	Gross: 12324 Net: 7033	18062	Smith's Dock Co. Ltd. Middlesbrough
Anadara	Tanker Finance Ltd.	Tanker 891,000 CuFt	July 1959. Yard No: 739	Gross: 12280 Net: 6976	18200	R & W Hawthorn, Leslie & co. Ltd. Newcastle
Arca	Van Bedrijfspanden N.V.	Tanker 891,000 CuFt	1959. Yard No: 297	Gross: 12222 Net: 6970	19152	Rotterdamsch DD. MY N.V. Rotterdam
Arianta	Shell Tankers (UK) Ltd.	Tanker 929,000 CuFt	1959. Yard No: 696	Gross: 13148 Net: 7500	19310	J. L. Thompson & Sons. Ltd. Sunderland
Asprella		No Info				
Aulica	Tanker Finance Ltd.	Tanker 890,000 CuFt	1960	Gross: 12321 Net: 7223	18255	Kieler Howaldtswerke A.G. Kiel

Auricula		No Info	1947?			
Auris		No Info	1948?			
Axina	Tanker Finance Ltd.	Tanker 890,000 CuFt	Nov 1958. Yard No: 1120	Gross: 12283 Net: 6974	18230	Lithgows Ltd. Port Glasgow
Ayts	Van Bedrijfspanden N.V.	Tanker 888,000 CuFt	Feb 1960. Yard No: 493	Gross: 12239 Net: 6983	18350	Nederlandshe Dok & Scheepsbouw Moats, Amsterdam
Bolma	Anglo Saxon Petroleum Co.	Tanker 243,401CuFt	Dec 1944. Yard No: 636	Gross: 3744 Net: 1998	5127	J. L. Thompson & Sons. Ltd. Sunderland
Bullmouth		No Info	1927?			
Bulysses	Anglo Saxon Petroleum Co.	Tanker	12/05/1926.	Gross: 7540 Net: 4342	9826	Hawthorne, Leslie & Co. Ltd. Hebburn
Camitia	Shell Tankers N.V.	Tanker 641,417 CuFt	Aug 1955. Yard No: 774	Gross: 9094 Net: 5021	12985	C. Van der Giessen & Zonen Scheeps Werven N.V. Krimpen
Caperata	Deutsche Shell Tanker G. M.b.H	Tanker 1,354,833 CuFt	April 1950. Yard No: 1615	Gross: 18233 Net: 10604	28281	Bethlehem Steel Co. SB Div. Quincy. Mass
Capsa	Deutsche Shell Tanker G. M.b.H	Tanker 1,354,833 CuFt	Jan 1950. Yard No: 1613	Gross: 18258 Net: 10662	28281	Bethlehem Steel Co. SB Div. Quincy. Mass
Cardium	Anglo Saxon Petroleum Co.	Tanker	15/09/1931. Yard No: 1455	Gross: 5847 Net: 3140		Swan, Hunter & Wigham Richardson Ltd. Wallsend
Carelia		No Info	26/06/1948?			
Caprella	Deutsche Shell Tanker G. M.b.H	Tanker 1,354,833 CuFt	June 1950. Yard No: 1616	Gross: 18257 Net: 10668	28281	Bethlehem Steel Co. SB Div. Quincy. Mass
Capiteria		No Info				
Capulonix	Hercules Tankers Corp.	Tanker 2,103,000 CuFt	Sept 1959.	Gross: 28435 Net: 19160	492191	Bethlehem Steel Co. SB Div. Quincy. Mass
Cellana		No Info				
Cinulia	Shell Tankers N.V.	Tanker 641,417 CuFt	April 1955. Yard No: 610	Gross: 9094 Net: 5021	12985	N.V. Maach & Scheeps. P. Smit Jnr. Rotterdam
Circe Shell	Anglo Saxon Petroleum Co.	Tanker	Oct 1931.	Gross: 8207 Net: 4817	9800	Howaldtswerke A.G. Hamburg
Cliona		No Info	1931?			
Corbis		No Info	1931?			
Crania	N.V. Petroleum Moats	Tanker 641,417 CuFt	May 1955. Yard No: 773	Gross: 9094 Net: 5021	12985	N.V. Maach & Scheeps. P. Smit Jnr. Rotterdam
Dallia		No Info				
Darina		No Info	1966?			
Davila		No Info				
Diadema		No Info				
Diloma		No Info	1939?			
Dione	Curacaosche Scheepvaart My	Tanker 2,972,000 CuFt	1967	Gross: 39135 Net: 26171	70870	Nederlandshe Dok & Scheepsbouw Moats, Amsterdam
Diplodon		No Info				
Donacilla		No Info				
Donax		No Info				
Donovania	Tanker Finance Ltd.	Tanker	1966	Gross: 39042 Net: 25151	69983	Kockums MV. A/B Malmo
Dorcasia		No Info	1938?			
Dorcasia	Shell Tankers (UK) Ltd.	Tanker	1967	Gross: 39505 Net: 25535	70025	Kockums MV. A/B Malmo
Dosina		No Info	1966?			
Dromus					12079	

	Anglo Saxon Petroleum Co.	Tanker 600,535	28/06/1938. Yard No: 1010	Gross: 8061 Net: 4749		Harland & Wolff Ltd. Govan
Drupa	Shell Tankers (UK) Ltd.	Tanker 2,910,000 CuFt	Jan 1966.	Gross: 39796 Net: 26648	70871	Deutsche Werft AG. Hamburg
Etrema	Shell Bermuda (Overseas) Ltd.	Tanker 1,403,000 CuFt	March 1978.	Gross: 19656 Net: 12962	30501	Saint John SB & DD Co. Ltd. St. John. N.B.
Felipes	United States Trust Co. of New York	Tanker 1,530,000 CuFt	1974	Gross: 19275 Net: 12732	31721	Haugesund Mech. Verft. A/S Haugesund
Ficus	United States Trust Co. of New York	Tanker 1,530,000 CuFt	1976	Gross: 19275 Net: 12732	31721	Haugesund Mech. Verft. A/S Haugesund
Fjordshell	Shell A/S Norske, Oslo	Tanker 146,000 CuFt??	1974	Gross: 18623 Net: 12221	31952	Haugesund Mech. Verft. A/S Haugesund
Flammulina	Anglo Saxon Petroleum Co.	Tanker 596,030 CuFt	04/04/1943. Yard No: 1159	Gross: 8045 Net: 4758	11894	Harland & Wolff Ltd. Belfast
Fossarus	United States Trust Co. of New York	Tanker	1976	Gross: 19275 Net: 12732	31230	Haugesund Mech. Verft. A/S Haugesund
Fragum	Shell Tankers (UK) Ltd.	Tanker	April 1952. Yard No: 1219	Gross: 2926 Net: 1280	3416	Smith's Dock Co. Ltd. Middlesbrough
Fulgur	Citizens Trust Co.	Tanker 1,498,000 CuFt	1974	Gross: 19275 Net: 12719	31721	Haugesund Mech. Verft. A/S Haugesund
Gadinia		No Info	1950?			
Galeomma		No Info	1946?			
Glessula	Shell Tanker (UK) Ltd.	Tanker 29,879 CuFt	Dec 1949. Yard No: 1186	Gross: 5497 Net: 2776	8355	Smith's Dock Co. Ltd. Middlesbrough
Hadra	Shell Bermuda (Overseas) Ltd.	Tanker 890,493 CuFt	20/11/1953. Yard No: 1229	Gross: 12169 Net: 6983	18034	Smith's Dock Co. Ltd. Middlesbrough
Hadriana	Shell Bermuda (Overseas) Ltd.	Tanker 890,493 CuFt	Nov 1954. Yard No: 1231	Gross: 12160 Net: 6976	18100	Smith's Dock Co. Ltd. Middlesbrough
Halia	Tanker Finance Ltd.	Tanker 890,000 CuFt	March 1958. Yard No: 730	Gross: 12183 Net: 6931	18200	Hawthorne, Leslie & Co. Ltd. Hebburn
Hamina		No Info				
Haminella	Tanker Finance Ltd.	Tanker 890,500 CuFt	May 1957. Yard No: 1243	Gross: 12189 Net: 6966	18100	Smith's Dock Co. Ltd. Middlesbrough
Hanetia	Tanker Finance Ltd.	Tanker 890,000 CuFt	30/05/1957. Yard No: 1245	Gross: 12189 Net: 6966	18100	Smith's Dock Co. Ltd. Middlesbrough
Harpula		No Info	1956?			
Hatasia	Shell Bermuda (Overseas) Ltd.	Tanker 891,000 CuFt	Oct 1956. Yard No: 686	Gross: 12161 Net: 6930	18940	J. L. Thompson & Sons. Ltd. Sunderland
Haustellum	Shell Bermuda (Overseas) Ltd.	Tanker 890,493 CuFt	Oct 1954. Yard No: 719	Gross: 12122 Net: 6949	18050	Hawthorne, Leslie & Co. Ltd. Hebburn
Haustum		No Info	1954			
Helcion	Shell Bermuda (Overseas) Ltd.	Tanker 891,200 CuFt	Dec 1954. Yard No: 1815	Gross: 12091 Net: 6929	17910	Swan, Hunter & Wigham Richardson Ltd. Wallsend
Heldia		No Info	1955?			
Helecina	Anglo Saxon Petroleum Co.	Tanker 787,640 CuFt	04/04/1946. Yard No: 1711	Gross: 12695 Net: 7421	17500	Swan, Hunter & Wigham Richardson Ltd. Wallsend
Helisoma	Shell Bermuda (Overseas) Ltd.	Tanker 891,000 CuFt	Dec 1956. Yard No: 1819	Gross: 12149 Net: 6936	18000	Swan, Hunter & Wigham Richardson Ltd. Wallsend
Helix		No Info	1955			
Hemiactra	Shell Bermuda (Overseas) Ltd.	Tanker 892,529 CuFt	June 1956. Yard No: 1241	Gross: 12278 Net: 6953	18992	Cammell, Laird & Co. Ltd. Birkenhead
Hemicardium	Shell Bermuda (Overseas) Ltd.	Tanker 892,529 CuFt	July 1953. Yard No: 1221	Gross: 12215 Net: 7059	18032	

						Cammell, Laird & Co. Ltd. Birkenhead
Hemidonax		No Info	1953?			
Hemifusus	Shell Bermuda (Overseas) Ltd.	Tanker 892,529 CuFt	April 1954. Yard No: 1219	Gross: 12180 Net: 6973	18078	Cammell, Laird & Co. Ltd. Birkenhead
Hemiglypta		No Info				
Hemiplecta		No Info	1955?			
Hemisinus	Tanker Finance Ltd.	Tanker 890,500 CuFt	Aug 1957. Yard No: 1235	Gross: 12207 Net: 6912	18110	Cammell, Laird & Co. Ltd. Birkenhead
Hemitrochus		No Info	1959?			
Holospira		No Info	1956?			
Hima		No Info	1957?			
Hinea		No Info	1956?			
Hindsia	Shell Bermuda (Overseas) Ltd.	Tanker 891,000 CuFt	Oct 1955.	Gross: 12212 Net: 6947	18115	Vickers-Armstrongs Ltd. Newcastle
Hinnites	Shell Bermuda (Overseas) Ltd.	Tanker 890,000 CuFt	Aug 1956. Yard No: 1028	Gross: 12186 Net: 6947	18000	Vickers-Armstrongs Ltd. Newcastle
Humilaria	Shell Bermuda (Overseas) Ltd.	Tanker 874,946 CuFt	April 1958. Yard No: 496	Gross: 11955 Net: 6859	18075	Furness S.B. Co. Ltd. Haverton Hill - on - Tees
Hyala	Shell Bermuda (Overseas) Ltd.	Tanker 891,200 CuFt	May 1955. Yard No: 1081	Gross: 12164 Net: 6916	17840	Lithgows Ltd. Port Glasgow
Hygromia		No Info	1956?			
Hyalina		No Info	1948?			
Hydatina		No Info	1956?			
Iacra	Societe Maritime Shell, Paris	Tanker 607,355 CuFt	24/11/1934.	Gross: 8172 Net: 4191	12117	Workman, Clark Ltd. Belfast
Iphigenia		No Info	1955?			
Iridina	Societe Maritime Shell, Paris	Tanker 870,033 CuFt	Aug 1955. Yard No: 176	Gross: 12316 Net: 6968	17730	Chantiers Naval de la Ciotat, La Ciotat
Isanda		No Info				
Isomeria		No Info	1956?			
Kabyllia	Shell Tankers N.V.	Tanker 890,589 CuFt	June 1955. Yard No: 289	Gross: 12097 Net: 6916	18192	Rotterdamsch DD. MY N.V. Rotterdam
Kalydon		No Info				
Kara		No Info	1955?			
Katelysia	Shell Tankers N.V.	Tanker 890,589 CuFt	May 1954. Yard No: 285	Gross: 12143 Net: 6929	18170	Rotterdamsch DD. MY N.V. Rotterdam
Kermia	Van Bedrijfspanden N.V.	Tanker 890,651 CuFt	Sept 1955. Yard No: 451	Gross: 12139 Net: 6933	18155	Nederlandshe Dok & Scheepsbouw Moats, Amsterdam
Khasiella	Van Bedrijfspanden N.V.	Tanker 890,500 CuFt	April 1956. Yard No: 453	Gross: 12119 Net: 6920	18150	Nederlandshe Dok & Scheepsbouw Moats, Amsterdam
Kopionella		No Info				
Koratia	Shell Tankers N.V.	Tanker 890,589 CuFt	1954. Yard No: 736	Gross: 12154 Net: 6938	18050	Wilton - Fynenoord Dok-en-Werf Moats N.V. Schiedam
Korovina	Shell Tankers N.V.	Tanker 890,589 CuFt	Sept 1954. Yard No: 739	Gross: 12121 Net: 6931	18009	Wilton - Fynenoord Dok-en-Werf Moats N.V. Schiedam
Koscia		No Info	1957?			
Kossmatella		No Info	1953?			
Kryptos		No Info				
Kylix		No Info				
Labiosa		No Info				
Lampania		No Info	1947?			
Lanistes			1975		306957	

	Shell Tankers (UK) Ltd.	Tanker 13,294,000 CuFt		Gross: 159936 Net: 124572		Mitsui SB & E Co. Ltd. Chiba, Japan
Latia		No Info	1946?			
Latia	Shell Tankers (UK) Ltd.	Tanker 11,846,000 CuFt	1974	Gross: 138457 Net: 108343	273826	Chantiers de l' Allantique, St, Nazaire
Latirus		No Info				
Lembulus		No Info	1948?			
Lembulus		No Info				
Lepton		No Info	1948?			
Lepton		No Info				
Limnea	Shell Tankers (UK) Ltd.	Tanker 13,324,000 CuFt	July 1975.	Gross: 160420 Net: 128091	310714	Odense Staalskibvaert A/S Odense
Limopsis		No Info				
Limutala		No Info	1950?			
Linga	Anglo Saxon Petroleum Co.	Tanker 449,922 CuFt	Sept 1946. Yard No: 1309	Gross: 6452 Net: 3613	9297	Harland & Wolff Ltd. Belfast
Linga		No Info				
Lingula	Anglo Saxon Petroleum Co.	Tanker 449,922 CuFt	25/03/1947. Yard No: 1347	Gross: 6445 Net: 3618	9308	Harland & Wolff Ltd. Belfast
Liparus		No Info	1946?			
Liparus	Shell Tankers (UK) Ltd.	Tanker 13,324,000 CuFt	May 1975.	Gross: 160420 Net: 128091	310571	Odense Staalskibvaert A/S Odense
Lottia	Deutsche Shell Tanker G. M.b.H	Tanker 13,516,000 CuFt	1975	Gross: 162488 Net: 127605	312202	Bremer Vulkan, Schb. & Masch. Fab. Bremen
Lucita		No Info	1926?			
Magdala		No Info	1968?			
Mamura		No Info	1932?			
Mangelia	Shell Tankers (UK) Ltd.	Tanker	1968	Gross: 105138 Net: 75587	206525	Kawasaki Dockyard Co. Ltd. Kobe
Manvantara		No Info	1931?			
Marinula		No Info	1968?			
Marticia		No Info				
Martina		No Info	1924?			
Megara		No Info				
Melania		No Info				
Melo		No Info	1969?			
Meta		No Info				
Mysella	Shell Tankers (UK) Ltd.	Tanker 8,601,000 CuFt	Feb 1970.	Gross: 104561 Net: 75065	209400	Nederlandshe Dok & Scheepsbouw Moats, Amsterdam
Mytilus	Shell Tankers B.V.	Tanker 8,607,000 CuFt	1969	Gross: 105532 Net: 75423	206971	Hitachi Zosen K.K. Sakai
Nacella		No Info	1943?			
Nassa	Anglo Saxon Petroleum Co.	No Info	1922?			
Naticina		No Info				
Neverita	Shell Tankers N.V.	Tanker 59,437 CuFt	26/02/1944. Yard No: 1687	Gross: 8216 Net: 4672	12487	Swan, Hunter & Wigham Richardson Ltd. Wallsend
Neverita		No Info	1968?			
Niso	Curacaosche Scheepvaart My	Tanker 4,967,000 CuFt	1966	Gross: 63292 Net: 43832	119378	Ishikawajima-Harima Heavy Industries K.K. Japan
Norrisia					12011	

	Anglo Saxon Petroleum Co.	Tanker 595,236 CuFt	14/10/1943. Yard No: 1194	Gross: 8246 Net: 4788		Harland & Wolff Ltd. Belfast
Northia	Anglo Saxon Petroleum Co.	Tanker	10/02/1944. Yard No: 76	Gross: 8113 Net: 4770	12213	Blythswood SB & E Co. Glasgow
Ondina	Van Bedrijfspanden N.V.	Tanker 2,563,221 CuFt	June 1961. Yard No: 298	Gross: 31313 Net: 17492	49790	Rotterdamsch DD. MY N.V. Rotterdam
Onoba		No Info				
Opalia		No Info				
Pallium	Shell Tankers (UK) Ltd.	Tanker 941,000 CuFt	April 1959. Yard No: 733	Gross: 13007 Net: 7784	18000	Deutsche Werft AG. Hamburg
Pellicula		No Info	1959?			
Philippia		No Info				
Physa	Anglo Saxon Petroleum Co.	No Info	1904			
Plagiola	Shell Tankers (UK) Ltd.	Tanker 796,000 CuFt	Nov 1954. Yard No: 611	Gross: 11007 Net: 6311	15200	Deutsche Werft AG. Hamburg
Pomella		No Info				
Pomella		No Info	1967?			
Serenia	Shell Tankers (UK) Ltd.	Tanker 3,478,000 CuFt	18/10/1960. Yard No: 161	Gross: 42082 Net: 25124	67850	Vickers-Armstrongs Ltd. Newcastle
Shelbrit-7		No Info				
Shell Dispenser		No Info	1947?			
Solen		No Info	1961?			
Spondilus	Anglo Saxon Petroleum Co.	Tanker	Sept 1927.	Gross: 7402 Net: 4277	9830	Wilton - Fynenoord Dok-en-Werf Moats N.V. Schiedam
Spirila	Anglo Saxon Petroleum Co.	Tanker	Aug 1922.	Gross: 5659 Net: 3387	8407	Swan, Hunter & Wigham Richardson Ltd. Wallsend
Tectus	Anglo Saxon Petroleum Co.	Tanker 792,660 CuFt	Feb 1945. Yard No: 324	Gross: 10496 Net: 6373	16674	Alabama D.D. & SB Co.
Tenagodus		No Info				
Thelidomos		No Info	1944?			
Tribulus	Anglo Saxon Petroleum Co.	Tanker 792,431 CuFt	Jan 1945. Yard No. 116	Gross: 10699 Net: 6205	16613	Kaiser Inc. Portland. Oregon
Tricula		No Info	1981?			
Trigonia		No Info	1916?			
Volsella		No Info	1906?			
Videna		No Info				
Zafra	Maatschappij tot financiering N.V.	Tanker 1,719,000 CuFt	1960. Yard No. 491	Gross: 25425 Net: 14818	39530	Nederlandshe Dok & Scheepsbouw Moats, Amsterdam