

Ocean Joss

Ships in Focus

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“Temple Hall”



MV Temple Hall (Malcolm Donnelly)



Telamon (Unknown copyright)

MV Temple Hall, 8003 GRT, was a general cargo vessel built in 1954 by Calendon Shipbuilding and Engineering Co. Ltd., Dundee, Scotland, for the Temple Steamship Co. Ltd. - Lambert Bros. Ltd., London. She was fitted with an Oil 2SA 4cyl (600 x 2320mm) marine diesel engine driving a single screw and produced a service speed of 12.5 knots. She remained within the Temple SS Co's fleet until 1969, when sold to Cia. Naviera Para Viajes Sud America S.A., Piraeus., who renamed her **Pantelis**. In 1977 she was sold Telamon Maritime Co. S.A., Piraeus, managed by Armour Shipping Inc. in Greece, who named her **Telamon**.

Whilst on a voyage from the Ivory Coast to Thessaloniki with a cargo of logs in 1981, she developed leaks and beached off Arrecife, Lanzarote. She was declared a total loss and was highly conspicuous in her stranded position. It is understood there were plans to demolish her in situ around 2020 – this may or may not have yet occurred. The Port Authority declared she could become a safety hazard to visitors in her present situation.

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References: During research for this article the Author drew upon the following as references: Personal records, www.Shipspotting.com, Wikipedia, Temple SS Co Ltd data, and other various internet sources from which additional information may have been obtained.

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