

# IKARIA ISLAND

IMO No: 9138898 BULKER 1997 / 19420 GT

## COMPANY:

Firodi Shipping Ltd,  
Greece

## YARD INFORMATION:

Onomichi Dockyard Co. Ltd.  
(Japan) 411

## DEMOLITION:



Frederica (Denmark) 6/1/2010 © S. Wiedner

**2020: Sold and renamed RUBYMAR.**

**2024: Suffered Houthi missile attack in the Red Sea. Reported status between sinking and drifting taking water.**

## BASIC DATA:

GT: 19420  
DWT: 32211  
Loa: 171.60  
Bmd: 27.00  
Draft: 10.42  
Engine: 1x oil Mitsubishi 6UEC52LA  
Power: 7061 kW  
Speed: 14.5 kn  
Cranes: 4x30t

## OWNER & FLAG HISTORY:

RUBYMAR since 01/07/2020  
IKARIA ISLAND since 01/05/2009  
CHATHAM ISLAND since 01/06/2007  
Flag Date of record Source  
Belize since 01/07/2020  
Panama since 01/06/2007  
Registered owner Date of record Source  
GOLDEN ADVENTURE SHIPPING SA since 22/07/2020  
MOORE NAVIGATION SA during 04/2009  
MIRS SHIPPING BVI LTD since 01/06/2007  
Ship manager Date of record Source

GMZ SHIP MANAGEMENT CO SA since 22/07/2020  
TRIAN MARITIME SA before 05/2014  
FIRODI SHIPPING LTD during 04/2009  
PB MARITIME SERVICES LTD since 16/11/2007  
PACIFIC BASIN SHIPPING HK LTD since 01/06/2007  
KYOKUTO SHIPPING CO LTD since 21/11/2006  
INUI GLOBAL LOGISTICS CO LTD since 08/04/2002

#### NAME HISTORY:

KEN SHIN	1997-07	
CHATHAM ISLAND	2007-09	Mirs Shipping (BVI) Ltd., Panama
IKARIA ISLAND	2009-20	Moore Navigation SA, Panama
RUBYMAR	2020-	Golden Adventure Shipping SA, Belize

#### GENERAL VESSEL INFORMATION:

2009:



## Inui joins compatriots in offloading handy bulker

13 March 2009 0:00 GMT UPDATED 13 March 2009 0:00 GMT

By **Trond Lillestolen** Oslo

Handysize-bulker owner and operator Inui Steamship of Japan is said to have sold the 32,000-dwt bulker **Chatham Island** (built 1997) to an undisclosed buyer for \$14m.

2020:



16.06.2020 — Low-profile Trian Maritime reportedly sold the 32,200-dwt **Ikaria Island** (built 1997) to Lebanese interests for \$3.4m.

2024:



## Crew abandon bulk carrier after Houthi missile attack

Sam Chambers · February 19, 2024

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An explosion happened in close proximity to the Belize-flagged **Rubymar** on Sunday night, resulting in damage. The ship is owned by Golden Adventure Shipping from the UK. The attack took place in the Bab al-Mandeb strait, whilst the vessel was heading northbound from Khorfakkan in the UAE to Varna, Bulgaria. Subsequent updates said that the crew was forced to abandon the ship due to damage from a reported fire onboard. There have been no reports of crew injuries.

A spokesperson for the Houthis has since said the ship is close to sinking, potentially becoming the first total constructive loss since the Red Sea shipping crisis started four months ago. Houthis have exaggerated details of damage to ships in the past and at present there is no way of corroborating how badly hit the vessel is.

Adding to the confusion, an update from the United Kingdom Maritime Trade Operations (UKMTO) said. "Vessel at anchor and all crew are safe."

Meanwhile, British maritime security consultants Ambrey notes that the vessel had been drifting in a pattern consistent with engine failure for much of the weekend prior to the strike.



MarineTraffic / Wael Chahadah

## Splash

### Plans made to save Houthi-struck bulker from sinking

Adis Ajdin · February 22, 2024

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Bulker #Rubymar with a flooded engine room and well down by the stern. She must be in a nearly empty condition to have sufficient buoyancy to remain afloat.



An abandoned Belize-flagged bulk carrier [Rubymar](#) which was damaged by Yemen's Houthi missile strike, is still floating despite taking in water.

The Houthis had earlier said the vessel was in danger of sinking after claiming the attack that took place in the Strait of Bab el-Mandeb late Sunday and forced the crew of 24, including four guards, to abandon ship. No injuries were reported, and the crew have since been safely transported to Djibouti.

Despite several confusing videos on social media of the vessel sinking, the latest images taken of the Rubymar show it still above water but well down by the stern after suffering a strike near the engine room.

The attack and damage inflicted on the 32,200 dwt ship with about 22 tonnes of fertilizer on board is so far the most serious incident of the escalating Red Sea conflict.

According to TankerTrackers.com, the vessel owned by UK-registered Golden Adventure Shipping and managed by Lebanon-based Blue Fleet Group is leaking fuel oil but is still afloat.

"She is located in the southbound traffic lane," the monitoring service said in a post on social media platform X.

Efforts are underway to recover the 1997-built vessel that is still at risk of sinking and tow it back to Djibouti.

"She will be towed to Djibouti but the tugboat has not yet arrived," Blue Fleet CEO Roy Khoury told *AFP*. "It should be there in two to three days."

## MV Rubymar Leaking Oil, Taking on Water After Houthi Missile Strike

**Mike Schuler**

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February 23, 2024

The U.S. Central Command has reported an 18-mile-long oil slick from the MV Rubymar, which was struck by an anti-ship ballistic missile on Sunday launched from a Houthi-controlled area of Yemen. The ship remains afloat, but is at risk of sinking.

The attack occurred on Feb. 18 between 9:30 p.m. and 10:40 p.m., forcing its crew members to abandon ship.

The Belize-flagged, UK-owned bulk carrier is now anchored and slowly taking on water.



A photo shared by the U.S. Central Command showing an oil slick from the MV Rubymar in the Red Sea. Photo courtesy CENTCOM



February 26, 2024

## ABANDONED RUBYMAR VESSEL

There were growing concerns on Monday for the fate of the [abandoned cargo vessel Rubymar](#) after it was hit by a Houthi missile on Feb 18 in the southern Red Sea and was leaking fuel.

Shipping sources said weather in the area had worsened in recent days with strong winds.

The *Rubymar's* owner is looking at towing the vessel to Saudi Arabia once a hole can be patched up, the ship's chartering broker said on Monday.

"She is still afloat with engine room and no. 5 hold under water," Roy Khoury, CEO of Lebanon-based Blue Fleet Group, told Reuters by email.

Khoury said they were looking at bringing in a work ship that will attempt to close the hole caused by the Houthi missile.

"There is a small fuel leakage," Khoury said, adding that vessel was carrying 22,000 tonnes of fertilizer onboard.

"We are contracting a tug boat to come alongside and tow the vessel to a safe port. The problem is that neither Djibouti nor Aden port authorities are accepting the vessel," Khoury said.

"So, we are now looking at Jeddah in Saudi Arabia."

A Yemeni port source said the vessel was far away from the southern Yemeni port of Aden and the port had not been asked to help with the towing of the vessel.

A separate Yemeni government source said a team had visited the *Rubymar* on Monday and they observed oily patches floating on the water surrounding it with part of the vessel sinking.

Djibouti officials could not be immediately contacted.

Last update: 27/2/2024