

OVERSEAS SAKURA

IMO No: 9196618 TANKER 2001 / 159397 GT

COMPANY:

Thome Ship Management Pte. Ltd.,
Singapore

YARD INFORMATION:

Hitachi Zosen K.K.
Ariake (Japan) 4969

DEMOLITION:



Singapore 12/12/2006 © H. Rosenkranz (S. Wiedner collection)

BASIC DATA:

IMO No: 9196618
Built: 3/2001
Type: Tanker
SubType: Crude
Flag: Bahamas
DWT: 298,641
Draft: 21.10
Builder: Hitachi Zosen, Ariake Yard, Japan (4969)
GT: 159,397
LOA: 332.95/320.00
Owner: Thome Ship Management PTE. Ltd.
Beam: 60.00
Speed/Cons: 16.0/-
Class: AB
Depth: 29.55
Engine Type: B&W, 2 S.A. 7-cyl., 7S80MC, 36000 HP,
25848 kW
Cubic: 339,136
(<http://supertankers.topcities.com/part-2/id479.htm>)

OWNER & FLAG HISTORY:

OVERSEAS SAKURA 2006-05-24 LRF
SAKURA I 2001-08-06 LRF
BERGE SAKURA 2000-12-04 LRF
HITACHI ARIAKE 4969 2000-11-23 LRF
Flag Date of record Source
Bahamas 2001-11-06 LRF
Panama 2000-05-12 LRF
Registered owner Date of record Source
SAKURA TRANSPORT 2002-03-04 LRF
IGLOO SHIPPING 2001-02-19 LRF
Ship manager Date of record Source
THOME SHIP MANAGEMENT PTE LTD 2001-08-23 LRF
TANKER PACIFIC MGMT SINGAPORE 2001-08-13 LRF
BW GAS ASA 2000-01-01 LRF

EX-NAMES:

BERGE SAKURA	2001-01	Igloo Shipping AS, Panama
SAKURA I	2001-06	Sakura Transport Corp., Bahamas
OVERSEAS SAKURA	2006-17	Sakura Transport Corp., Bahamas
SEAWAYS SAKURA	2017-18	Sakura Transport Corp., Bahamas
VL SAKURA	2018-	Sakura Shipping SA, Marshall Islands

GENERAL VESSEL INFORMATION:**2001:**

In a separate deal, Bergesen has reached a preliminary agreement to sell the tankers **BERGE ARIAKE & BERGE SAKURA** and the newbuilding contracts for an additional two tankers. The agreement has been reached with a consortium of partners in Tankers International led by Frontline Ltd.

The four tankers were part of a series of eight tanker newbuildings that Bergesen acquired from the Hitachi-yard in Japan in January 2000. The tankers are of 296,000 dwt. The sold tankers and newbuilding contracts will be delivered to the buyer in June/July 2001. The agreement is subject to buyers' board approval. The combined sales price for the two existing tankers is \$164 million, and for the two newbuilding contracts is \$157 million.

Bergesen says the deal is in line with its strategy for its tanker business, which to actively buy and sell tonnage in order to obtain a return in excess of what is obtained from operating activities. Bergesen will book a profit on the sale of about \$42 million.

Berge Ariake and Berge Sakura were delivered to Bergesen at the end of January and end of March this year respectively. Since owning them, Bergesen has had an operating result of about \$ 8 million from the pair. Its total profit from its investment in the two tankers and two newbuilding contracts will thus be about \$50 million.

June 1, 2001

(www.marinelog.com/DOCS/NEWSMMI/MMIJun1.html)

2004:

During the quarter OSG concluded an agreement with a joint venture partner covering six jointly owned VLCCs. As a result of this agreement the three pairs of sister vessels have been equally split, with OSG becoming the 100% owner of the VLCCs **DUNDEE, SAKURA I AND TANABE.**

May 6, 2004

(www.secinfo.com/d29E7.16.d.htm)

2018:

More than eight shipbroking houses reported the sale of the 2001-built 298,641dwt VLCC [Seaways Sakura](#). The Japanese-built vessel was sold to Greek owner, Hellenic Tankers, for a price in the region of \$18.40m.

(https://splash247.com - 27th September 2018)

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Hadjiyiannis adds to VLCC feast with Seaways veteran

By [Andy Pierce](#), [Harry Papachristou](#)

[tradewindsnews.com](#) — International Seaways has found a trading buyer for a veteran VLCC in a move that sees Andreas Hadjiyiannis's Hellenic Tankers extend its investment in the sector. New York-listed Seaways has been marketing the 298,600-dwt Seaways Sakura (built 2001) for sale, with many suspecting it would head for demolition. Now Hellenic has emerged as the likely buyer of the tanker, at a price of \$18m, which is more than it would have secured from a scrap sale.

(https://muckrack.com/harry-papachristou/articles)

SEAWAYS SAKURA, (9196618) (Overseas Sakura - 17, Sakura I - 06, Berge Sakura - 01), 159,397/01 - Crude Oil Tanker. Sold by Sakura Transport Corp, Bahamas to Sakura Shipping SA, Marshall Islands and renamed **VL SAKURA**.

(WSS Marine News 01/2019)

2019:



Hellenic Tankers pockets \$5.6m from swift VLCC asset play

Andreas Hadjiyiannis-led Hellenic Tankers has concluded a deal with Thailand's Nathalin Group in what will be one of the most profitable and quickest asset plays done so far this year, broker sources tell *Splash*.

In September the active Greek owner made a deal with American tanker company International Seaways, purchasing a 2001-built VLCC, named *Seaways Sakura*, since renamed [VL Sakura](#), for \$18.4m. The same ship is now reported sold on subjects for \$24m. Hellenic Tankers will earn \$5.6m if subjects are lifted by the Thai owner.

Hellenic Tankers entered the VLCC arena in December 2017 and has since then added three elderly VLCCs, shaking hands with Japan's JX Ocean and compatriot owner Nippon Yusen Kaisha (NYK) before the deal with International Seaways.

(<https://splash247.com> - February 12th, 2019)

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