

AFRICAN PYTHON

IMO No: 8507339 BULKER 1985 / 11833 GT

COMPANY:

Enterprises Shipping & Trading SA,
Greece

YARD INFORMATION:

KK Kanasashi Zosen
(Japan) 3067

DEMOLITION:

Alang, 19/03/2016



Lytelton, (N.Z.) © A. Calvert (S. Wiedner collection)

2007: Sold to Thai Pacific Maritime Ltd, Thailand. **Renamed SIAM TOPAZ.**

2012: Sold to Zahra Maritime Services Co, Lebanon. **Renamed FLORA.**

2016: Demolition at Alang, 19/03/2016.

BASIC DATA:

GT: 11833
DWT: 26587
Loa: 167.21 (BB)
Bmd: 26.01
Draft: 9.54
Engine: 1x oil B&W 6L50MCE
Power: 4314 kW
Speed: 14.0 kn
Cranes: 4x30t

OWNER & FLAG HISTORY:

FLORA since 01/07/2012
SIAM TOPAZ since 01/12/2007
AFRICAN PYTHON since 01/03/2005
HANDY ISLANDER 12-05-2000 LRF
Flag Date of record Source
Comoros since 01/02/2015
Tanzania since 01/07/2012
Bahamas since 01/03/2005
Malaysia during 2001
Philippines 12-05-2000 LRF
Registered owner Date of record Source
POLARIS SHIPPING LTD INC since 20/07/2012
DBE TOPAZ CORP since 07/11/2007
LUCIUS MARINE LTD since 01/03/2005
MISC BHD since 22/12/2001
GRAND WAY INVESTMENT 13-06-1995 LRF
Ship manager Date of record Source
ZAHRA MARITIME SERVICES CO since 20/07/2012
PIONEER MARINE SERV PVT LTD during 2011
THAI PACIFIC MARITIME LTD since 01/12/2007
PIONEER MARINE SERV PVT LTD since 01/12/2007
EMIRATES TRADING AGENCY LLC since 01/12/2007
ENTERPRISES SHIPPING & TRADING since 01/03/2005
MISC BHD before 2001
PNSL SHIP MANAGEMENT 01-01-1997 LRF

NAME HISTORY:

CITRUS ISLAND	1985-95	Trans-Pac Shipping SA, Panama
HANDY ISLANDER	1995-05	Trans-Pac Shipping SA., Philippines
AFRICAN PYTHON	2005-07	Lucius Marine Ltd., Bahamas
SIAM TOPAZ	2007-12	DBE Topaz Corp., Bahamas
FLORA	2012-15	Polaris Shipping Ltd Inc, Tanzania
FLORA	2015-	Polaris Shipping Ltd Inc, Comoros

GENERAL VESSEL INFORMATION:

1995:



Pacific Basin buys another Handysize

20 April 1995 22:00 GMT UPDATED 20 April 1995 22:00 GMT

By **Trond Lillestolen**

Hong Kong-based Pacific Basin Bulk Shipping confirms it has purchased yet another Handysize bulker.

The unidentified 26,600-dwt vessel (built 1985) has been bought for USD 12.5m, but Pacific Basin declined this week to name the bulker, saying the company agreed with the seller not to reveal more.

The vessel has not been circulated on the market and brokers TradeWinds spoke with could not identify the bulker, which will be taken over in June and renamed Handy Islander.

2007:



Restis clear-out makes way for newbuildings

29 November 2007 14:07 GMT UPDATED 29 November 2007 14:07 GMT

By **Viota Gousas and Trond Lillestolen, Athens and Oslo**

The Restis group is offloading older tonnage with the sale of four bulkers to make way for a new batch of newbuildings.

Sources close to the company confirm the group has sold the 32,000-dwt *African Shark* (built 1985), the 26,500-dwt *African Python* (built 1985) and 27,600-dwt *African Karoo* (built 1986) en bloc to undisclosed buyers. Brokers suggest Far East buyers have paid \$104m in total for the quartet.

2008:

TradeWinds
The Global Shipping News Source

SSY Capital puts together deal for handy quartet

3 April 2008 11:59 GMT UPDATED 3 April 2008 11:59 GMT

SSY Capital has arranged financing of four veteran handysize bulkers for ETA-Ascon Star Group in an \$88m sale-and-leaseback deal.

The Stamford-based finance arm of shipbroker Simpson, Spence&Young (SSY) is not identifying the ships but TradeWinds understands they are a quartet purchased from the Restis group's Enterprises Shipping&Trading last autumn.

Delayed ship deliveries held up the SSY refinancing of the 32,000-dwt *Siam Opal* (ex-*African Shark* , built 1985), 27,600-dwt *Siam Sapphire* (ex- *African Kalahari* , built 1986), 27,600-dwt *Siam Jade* (ex- *African Karoo* , built 1986) and 26,600-dwt *Siam Topaz* (ex-*African Python* , built 1985).

2016:

FLORA (8507339; Comoros) (Siam Topaz -12, African Python -07, Handy Islander -05, Citrus Island -95) 11,833/85 - bulk carrier. By Polaris Shipping Ltd Inc (Zahra Maritime Services Co), Panama, to Shiv Ship Breaking Company, India and arrived Alang, 19/03/2016. Commenced 25/03/2016.

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