

CARDITA

Cardita was a motor tanker of 8,237 tons belonging to Anglo-Saxon Petroleum Co Ltd, London. She was en-route from Curacao to Shellhaven with 11,500 tons of motor spirit and white spirit.

At 19.54 hours on 31 Dec, 1941, the **Cardita** (Master John Osmond Evans), a straggler from convoy HX-166, was torpedoed by the German submarine U-87 110 miles 307° from St.Kilda. The vessel foundered in 59°42N/11°58W on 3 January. 27 crew members were lost. The master, 16 crew members and six gunners were picked up by the **HMS Onslow (G17)** and ten crew members by the **HMS Sabre (H18)** and landed at Reykjavik.