



# SS Mitu Maru (ex-Mitsu Maru) (+1945)

ex Cardita = ex War Gaekwar

## details

### general

nationality: [japanese](#)  
 purpose: transport  
 type: [tanker](#)  
 subtype/class: [WWI Z-class standard tanker \(br.\)](#)  
 WWI Z-class standard tanker [Inverarder SS \[+1942\]](#)  
 (br.) ref.:  
 propulsion: [steam](#)  
 date built: [1919](#)  
 status: unknown

### details

weight (tons): 5545 grt  
 dimensions : 122 x 15,9 x 8,7 m  
 material: steel  
 engine: [triple expansion engine, single shaft, 1 screw](#)  
 power: 517 [n.h.p.](#)  
 speed: 11 knots

### about the loss

cause lost: [mine](#)  
 date lost: [12/07/1945](#) [dd/mm/yyyy]  
 casualties:

### about people

- builder: [UK](#) [Lithgows Ltd., Glasgow](#)
- last owner: [1] [JP](#) [Yamashita Kisen K. K.](#)  
[SS Mitu Maru \(ex-Mitsu Maru\)](#)  
 period 1938 ~ 1945
- prev. owners: [2] [JP](#) [Yamashita Kisen K. K.](#)  
[SS Mitsu Maru](#)  
 period 1938 ~ 1938
- [3] [DK](#) [Mowinckel Rederi A/S - Harald and later Joh. Ludvig Mowinckel, Bergen](#)  
[SS Concordia](#)  
 period 1927 ~ 1931
- [4] [UK](#) [Anglo-Saxon Petroleum Co. Ltd., London](#)  
[SS Cardita](#)  
 period 1921 ~ 1927
- [5] [UK](#) [TSC - The Shipping Controller \(WWI\), London](#)  
[SS War Gaekwar](#)  
 period 1919 ~ 1919

captain:  
 complement: 8 [\*]

### about the wreck

depth (m.):  
 orientation:  
 protected:  
 war grave:

### updates

entered by: [Vleggeert Nico](#)  
 entered: 10/09/2009  
 last update: [Lettens Jan](#)  
 last update: 15/08/2011

[\*] means that the value was inherited from [Inverarder SS \[+1942\]](#), the reference for [WWI Z-class standard tanker \(br.\)](#).

## Position

[Vleggeert Nico](#) 10/09/2009  
 latitude: [hydro member](#)  
 longitude: [hydro member](#)  
 AIS: [check AIS](#)  
 mark: [add position to my marks \(+/- 5miles\)](#)  
 dist. homepage: [dist. homepage](#)  
 ref. used: [mariners-l.co.uk](#)

## Pictures



[Vleggeert Nico](#) 10/09/2009  
 Mitu Maru under her former name War Gaekwar.  
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 ref. used [helderline.nl](#)



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## History

[Vleggeert Nico](#) 10/09/2009  
 The Japanese tanker Mitu Maru struck a mine and sank off Susami, Japan.  
 ref. [Hocking C., Dictionary of Disasters at Sea used during the Age of Steam](#)

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## Documents

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## About Owners

[TSC - The Shipping Controller \(WWI\), London](#)  
 The position of Controller-General of Merchant Shipbuilding was created for Lord Pirrie at a time when merchant shipbuilding in the United Kingdom was in a very nsatisfactory state and a stimulus to increased production was urgently needed.

He went to the Admiralty without any staff, and, as a war measure, a large number of standard carg...

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