

Basic Detail Report



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Title

Blanket from the Koninklijke Rotterdamsch Lloyd liner
WILLEM RUYS

Date

1959 - 1964

Primary Maker

Koninklijke Rotterdamsche Lloyd

Medium

Wool

Dimensions

Overall: 2040 x 1240 mm, 1.95 kg

Name

Blanket

History

WILLEM RUYS: maiden voyage on 5 December 1947. Competed on the Dutch East Indies route with MS ORANJE of the Netherland Line. When the Dutch East Indies gained independence as Indonesia in 1949 passengers numbers decreased and WILLEM RUYS was put on other routes. On 7 March 1959 WILLEM RUYS began its new world service to Australia and New Zealand departing from Rotterdam, sailing via Southampton, the Mediterranean, the Suez Canal, Fremantle, Melbourne, Sydney, New Zealand, returning via the Panama Canal. At the end of 1964, due to a strong drop in passenger numbers, WILLEM RUYS was laid up in Rotterdam and put up for sale. In 1965, she was sold to the Flotta Lauro Line, or Star Lauro and renamed the ACHILLE LAURO.