Model of the MS Oranje

The passenger ship of the Stoomvaart Maatschappij Nederland, the MS *Oranje*, was the flagship of Amsterdam.

My model

The model of the MS *Oranje* hangs in my hobby room. Once a year, I have to clean it, and while doing so, memories come flooding back. It was on 22 August 1955 that, as a young cook, I made my voyages to the Indies and Australia aboard the MS *Oranje*. When the ship returned home to Amsterdam and crossed the IJ on its way to the Javakade, hundreds of people would come to watch.

The MS *Oranje* was a magnificent passenger ship, on which many Australian emigrants were welcomed to their new home by the migration services.



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