

## **FRIEDRICH DER GROSSE / HURON / CITY OF HONOLULU 1896**

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The *FRIEDRICH DER GROSSE* was built by AG Vulcan, Stettin in 1896 for [North German Lloyd](#) of Bremen. She was a 10,531 gross ton ship, length 159,40m x beam 18,29m (523ft x 60ft), two funnels, two masts, twin screw and a speed of 15 knots. There was passenger accommodation for 226-1st, 235-2nd and 1,671-3rd class. Launched on 1/8/1896, she sailed from Bremen on her maiden voyage to Australia via Suez on 11/11/1896. On 4/4/1897 she commenced her first voyage from Bremen to Falmouth (to pick up passengers from the *KONIGIN LUISE* which had broken her steering gear) and New York. On 22/3/1907 she started her first Naples - New York crossing and made her last Genoa - Naples - New York sailing on 25/7/1912 (16 round voyages). On 22/11/1913 she started her last Bremen - New York voyage and on 21/1/1914 started her last Bremen - Australia voyage (14 round voyages to Australia). She transferred to the Bremen - Baltimore service on 4/6/1914 and made her last Bremen - Philadelphia - Baltimore sailing on 9/7/1914. In August 1914 she took refuge in New York and in April 1917 was seized by the US authorities and became the US Government ship *HURON*. In 1922 she went to the Los Angeles SS Co and was renamed *CITY OF HONOLULU*. While on her first Honolulu - Los Angeles crossing she was damaged by fire on 12/10/1922, and on 17/10/1922 was sunk by gunfire by the US transport *THOMAS* as a danger to navigation. [North Atlantic Seaway by N.R.P.Bonsor, vol.2, p.559]