

MV BALMORAL - The P&A Campbell (White Funnel) Years 1969 - 1980



MV Balmoral was chartered for 10 years from Red Funnel in 1969, repainted in full Campbell colours in 1970 and passed into Campbell's ownership in October 1979.



In the 1970s she sailed in North Wales, IOM and Fleetwood as well as charters round the Isle of Wight and made an appearance at the 1977 Silver Jubilee review.



On the pictures on this page MV Balmoral is still registered in Southampton - her original port of registry - but her car deck was now only used for sunbathing!

In 1980 she was chartered by Campell's to a new company White Funnel Steamers to operate a service to Lundy in co-operation with the Landmark Trust - but this proved to be her last season of sailing under commercial ownership.

MV Balmoral remained in Bristol and later Avonmouth for 18 months before being acquired by Craig Inns of Dundee who moved her to Dundee in 1982 for use as a floating restaurant and disco. The venture only lasted a few months and by the end of 1984 the ship was up for sale.

