

Goodbye to State Rogervan Rubattino: A Farewell to a Maritime Giant

With a rich history spanning over a century, State Rogervan Rubattino played a pivotal role in the development of the Italian maritime industry. From humble beginnings as a small shipping company in Genoa, it grew into a global shipping empire, operating a vast fleet of passenger ships, cargo vessels, and luxury liners. However, in 2023, the company's storied legacy came to an end as it ceased operations, leaving an irreplaceable void in the annals of maritime history.

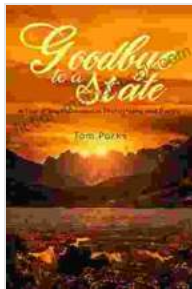
Rogervan Rubattino: A Timeline of Significant Events

1. **1839:** Founded by Raffaele Rubattino and Girolamo Roggero in Genoa, Italy.
2. **1848:** Played a crucial role in transporting Italian troops during the First Italian War of Independence.
3. **1861:** Became the official shipping company of the newly unified Kingdom of Italy.
4. **1881:** Merged with other shipping companies to form the Navigazione Generale Italiana (NGI).
5. **1890:** Ordered the construction of the SS Savoia, one of the largest and most luxurious passenger ships of its time.
6. **1914:** Operated over 200 ships, serving destinations worldwide.
7. **1936:** Reorganized as the Società Italia di Navigazione.

8. **1946:** Became a state-owned company and took on the name State Rogervan Rubattino.
9. **1960s:** Expanded operations into the cruise industry with the launch of the MS Raffaello.
10. **2023:** Ceased operations due to financial challenges.

Significant Ships and People

Throughout its history, State Rogervan Rubattino operated numerous iconic vessels, including:



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- **SS Savoia:** Launched in 1905, it was one of the world's largest and most luxurious passenger ships, known for its elegant interiors and state-of-the-art amenities.
- **MS Rex:** Built in 1932, it was an Italian-flagged ocean liner renowned for its speed, comfort, and stylish design.
- **MS Conte di Savoia:** A sister ship to the MS Rex, it was known for its luxurious accommodations and impeccable service.

- **MS Raffaello:** Launched in 1965, it was one of the first Italian cruise ships, embodying the new era of maritime travel.

Notable figures associated with State Rogervan Rubattino include:

- **Raffaele Rubattino:** Co-founder and visionary who transformed the company into a maritime powerhouse.
- **Girolamo Roggero:** Co-founder who provided the financial backing and entrepreneurial spirit.
- **Vittorio Cini:** President of State Rogervan Rubattino from 1936 to 1945, who oversaw its expansion and modernization.
- **Achille Lauro:** Shipowner and politician who acquired State Rogervan Rubattino in the 1960s and expanded its cruise operations.

The Italian Maritime Industry and State Rogervan Rubattino's Legacy

State Rogervan Rubattino's contributions to the Italian maritime industry were immeasurable. It played a pivotal role in connecting Italy with the world, transporting goods, people, and ideas across vast oceans. Its iconic ships became symbols of Italian ingenuity, craftsmanship, and maritime prowess. Moreover, the company's long and distinguished history shaped the development of the Italian merchant marine and contributed to the country's economic and cultural growth.

The company's demise is a significant loss to the Italian maritime industry and leaves a void that will be difficult to fill. However, the legacy of State Rogervan Rubattino will continue to inspire future generations of maritime professionals and serve as a reminder of the transformative power of innovation, entrepreneurship, and passion.

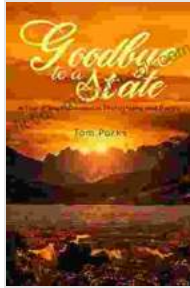
The Future: Remembering and Honoring the Spirit of State Rogervan Rubattino

While State Rogervan Rubattino may no longer operate, its spirit lives on in the countless ships and mariners who sailed under its banner. The company's archives, artifacts, and stories deserve to be preserved and celebrated as a testament to the remarkable journey of an Italian maritime giant.

Museums, historical societies, and educational institutions have a crucial role in safeguarding and interpreting the legacy of State Rogervan Rubattino. Through exhibitions, publications, and educational programs, they can share the company's history and inspire a new generation to pursue careers in the maritime industry. Additionally, the revitalization of historic ships and maritime heritage sites can serve as living reminders of the company's enduring legacy.

By remembering and honoring State Rogervan Rubattino, we not only pay tribute to a bygone era but also invest in the future of the Italian maritime industry. The company's spirit of innovation, entrepreneurialism, and passion for the sea will continue to resonate, inspiring future generations to make their mark on the world's oceans.

The farewell to State Rogervan Rubattino marks the end of an extraordinary chapter in maritime history. Yet, the legacy of this iconic company lives on, embedded in the fabric of the Italian maritime industry and the hearts of those who sailed under its flag. Through the preservation of its history, the celebration of its achievements, and the inspiration of its spirit, we ensure that the legend of State Rogervan Rubattino will continue to inspire and guide future generations.



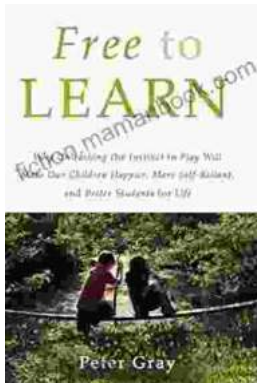
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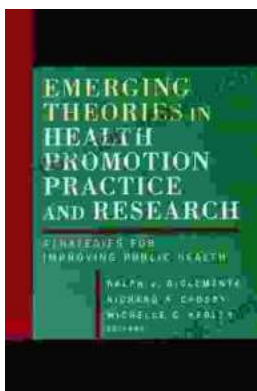
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