

### Types of Bulk Carriers

Bulk carriers, bulk freighters or bulkers are vessels designed to carry bulk solids such as cereals, coal, ore and cement.

Bulk carriers make up more than a third of the entire merchant fleet in the world. They are ranging from small vessels of under 500 DWT to huge carriers of 400,000 DWT.

Generally speaking, there are handysize carriers, handymax carriers, capesize carriers and very large bulk carriers.



Both handysize and handymax carriers are ideal for shipments of different cargoes from smaller ports. Compared to very large bulk freighter; handysize and handymax can transport a greater variety of cargo types.

Capesize bulk carriers are the biggest common bulk carrier. These ships are too large to traverse the Suez or Panama Canals and must go around the Cape of Good Hope or Cape Horn to travel between oceans. Because of their size, they can only dock at small number of ports.

Very large bulk carriers are ships over 200,000 DWT. Bulk carriers of this size almost always carry iron ore.

If you want to know more, please scan the two-dimension code.

