



The Queen Mary



RMS Queen Mary is an ocean liner built by John Brown and Company of Scotland. She sailed the Atlantic Ocean from 1936 through 1967. The ship is now docked at Long Island Beach, California and is listed on the Register of National Historic Places. It is now used as a museum and a hotel. Reports from visitors and crew members document that the ship is also haunted by many ghosts.

One of the resident specters is a bearded man dressed in a blue sailor's uniform walking the halls of Shaft Alley and then disappearing into door #13. This apparition is reportedly the ghost of a crew member who was crushed by a watertight door, (#13) in 1966 during a routine drill.

The swimming pool in First Class is also a popular ghost sighting area. Although the pool has been drained and has been closed for over 30 years, wet footprints still appear around its edge on a regular basis. Sounds of people splashing in the pool and ladies in antique bathing suits have also been seen around and in the pool. Experts believe that the pool area is a paranormal vortex of activity aboard the ship. No reported deaths have occurred at this location, however.

Reports of running water in the middle of the night, phones ringing with no one on the other end, lights turning on and off by themselves have all been documented by people staying in the First Class Suites area of the ship. Visitors have also complained of someone pulling off their covers in the middle of the night and of hearing heavy breathing when no one was seen in the rooms.

Other areas of the ship that have been reported as haunted are the Third Class Children's Playroom, and the Queen's Salon. Reports of hearing a baby's cry, sightings of a woman dancing by herself in a white dress, cries of agony from long dead crew members who were killed during World War II when the Queen Mary was used as a military ship renamed "The Grey Ghost," (Very apropos, under the circumstances!), also abound.

If you are looking to stay somewhere haunted, this would be a good choice. Just make sure you bring a camera and a tape recorder, so you will be believed when retelling your experiences aboard the Queen Mary.