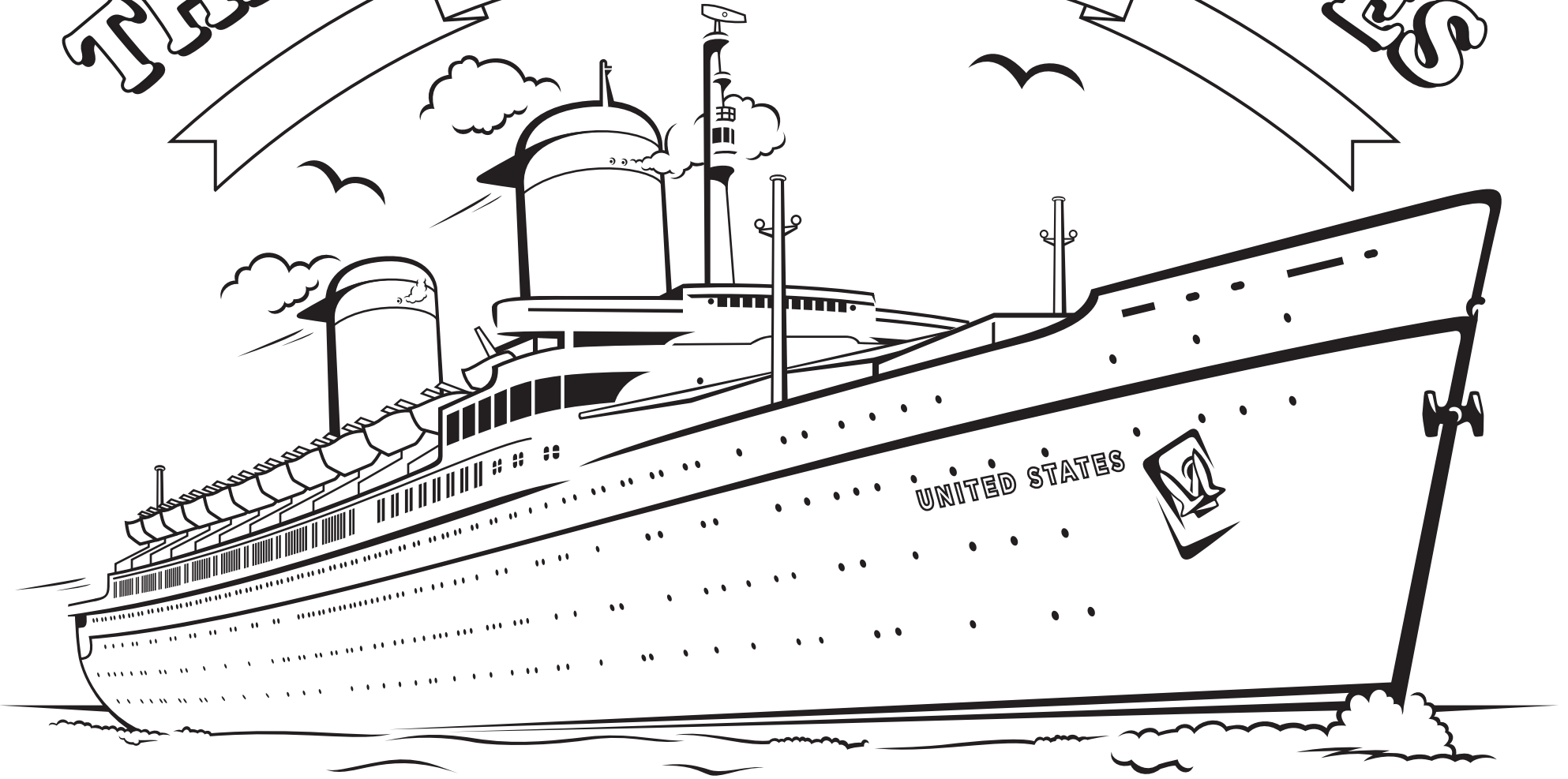


# THE S.S. UNITED STATES

AMERICA'S FLAGSHIP

SS UNITED STATES  
CONSERVANCY

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## 1. Ocean Liner

Before people traveled across the ocean on airplanes, people sailed on ships called ocean liners like the Titanic or SS United States. They were built to travel quickly from place to place, not for slow, leisurely vacations.

## 2. Knot

A measurement of speed for boats and ships. One knot = about 1.151 miles per hour. The SS United States could go 38 knots (44 miles per hour), the fastest ocean liner ever built. Cruise ships today go about 18 knots.

## 3. Atlantic

The ship carried thousands of people across the Atlantic Ocean from America to Europe and back. The SS United States sometimes had to sail through hurricanes and 90-foot waves to get to her destination.

## 4. New York

New York City was the SS United States' home port. Usually tugboats would help the captain push the ship into its dock.

## 5. Gibbs

The SS United States was designed by William Francis Gibbs, America's greatest naval architect. Since he was a little boy, he dreamed of designing the largest, safest and fastest ocean liner in the world.

## 6. Troops

The SS United States was designed so the U.S. military could use the ship if they ever needed to get lots of soldiers someplace far away very quickly.

## 7. Steam

The SS United States was powered by very, very hot steam. The steam was forced through a turbine, which would turn the ship's gigantic propellers.

## 8. Aluminum

The SS United States used a lot of aluminum, because it is very light and will not catch on fire. The ship's light weight helped it go very fast.

## 9. Blue Riband

On its first voyage in 1952 the SS United States won an award called the "Blue Riband", which means it is the fastest ocean liner to cross the Atlantic Ocean. This record has never been broken by another ocean liner.

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## Why Save The United States?

When people began using jet airplanes to travel across the ocean, the grand ocean liners were taken out of service. Most ships were sent to steel scrap yards to be broken up. But the SS United States was special. She is still here.

The ship is now owned by the SS United States Conservancy. They have a plan to restore the ship and create a cool museum to be enjoyed by people of all ages for many years to come. They need to raise money and let everyone know the ship must be rescued. They created [SaveTheUnitedStates.org](http://SaveTheUnitedStates.org) to teach people about the ship and let anyone buy a square inch of the ship for \$1 and decorate it with photos, colors and stories.

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