

Red Sea tanker risks environmental disaster

An oil tanker targeted by Yemen's Houthis appears to be leaking oil, the Pentagon says. The ship is carrying 150,000 tonnes of crude and a spill has the potential to be among the largest on record

MV SOUNION

Length: 274m

Width: 50m



Fires seen on deck of MV Sounion on Aug 25

■ **Aug 21:** Greek-flagged tanker **Sounion**, carrying more than 150,000 tonnes – equivalent to one million barrels – hit by missiles launched by Iran-backed Houthi rebels

■ **Aug 22:** Sounion's 25 crew rescued by French warship from EU's **Operation Aspides** naval force

■ **Aug 23:** Houthis post video purportedly showing them setting Sounion on fire

■ **Aug 27:** Pentagon says vessel appears to be leaking crude and warns of "environmental catastrophe"

