

Aristotle Onassis

1906 - 1975

One of the richest people in the 20th century

Aristotle Socrates Onassis (Greek: Αριστοτέλης Ωνάσης, Aristotelis Onasis; 20 January 1906 – 15 March 1975),^[1] commonly called Ari or Aristo Onassis, was a Greek-Argentine shipping magnate, who amassed the world's largest privately owned shipping fleet and was one of the world's richest and most famous men.



The most well-known portrait of Onassis.

The following list is a time line of Onassis Life

- **1906** - born in Karataş, Smyrna, Ottoman Empire.
- **1922** - He left from Smyrna during the great fire of Smyrna in 1922.
- **1932** - He went to Buenos Aires, Argentina and start working as a telephone operator.
- **1929** - He relocated to New York and started his shipping businesses.
- **1946** - Onassis married Athina Livanos, daughter of shipping magnate Stavros G. Livanos and Arietta Zafrikakis, on 28 December 1946. The couple had become largely separated by the mid-1950s.
- **1950-1956** - Onassis had success whaling off the Peruvian coast.
- **1953** - In Monaco he started to purchase the shares of Monaco's SMB using the tax haven of Panama and finally take the control of SBM.
- **1954** - Cancellation of the agreement between the Saudi government and Aristotle Onassis to transport Saudi oil on his tankers and "in any case, to make the agreement ineffective".
- **1956** - Aristotle Onassis signed a contract granting him the operational rights to the Greek air transport industry. Olympic Airways was founded.
- **1957** - Onassis and opera prima donna Maria Callas embarked on an affair despite the fact that they were both married.
- **1966** - Rainer of Monaco approved a plan to create 600,000 new shares in SBM reducing Onassis's stake to under a third.
- **1967** - Onassis court until he left Monaco.
- **1968** - Onassis announced the launch of Project Omega, a \$400 million investment program that aimed to build considerable industrial infrastructure in Greece including an oil refinery and aluminum smelter.
- **1968** - Onassis ended his relationship with Callas to marry Jacqueline Kennedy, widow of U.S. President John F. Kennedy.
- **1975** - Onassis died at age 69 on 15 March 1975 at the American Hospital of Paris in Neuilly-sur-Seine, France, of respiratory failure, a complication of the myasthenia gravis from which he had been suffering during the last years of his life.

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