



NUESTRA SEÑORA del ROSARIO

1550

(Spanish Galleon)

For nearly a century, Spanish Galleons ruled the oceans from Europe to the New World carrying men and supplies to the Americas and returning with gold. Lavishly decorated and well armed, they were Spain's naval elite until the Armadas' defeat in 1585.

This model is a beautiful reproduction of the historic ships that carried the treasures of the New World back to Spain. It was used both as a merchantman and as a warship. The Spanish Galleon is a stately vessel or "Great Ship." The ship is high and round, dignified and bright as befits the colorful age she belonged to.

ABOUT THE ARTIST...

This boat was hand crafted and generously donated by Jack Smith. Jack, a native of the anthracite coal region of Pennsylvania, has spent the better part of his life in engineering design. He now resides in Lakeland, Florida where his creative energy comes alive in his unique woodcarving art.

