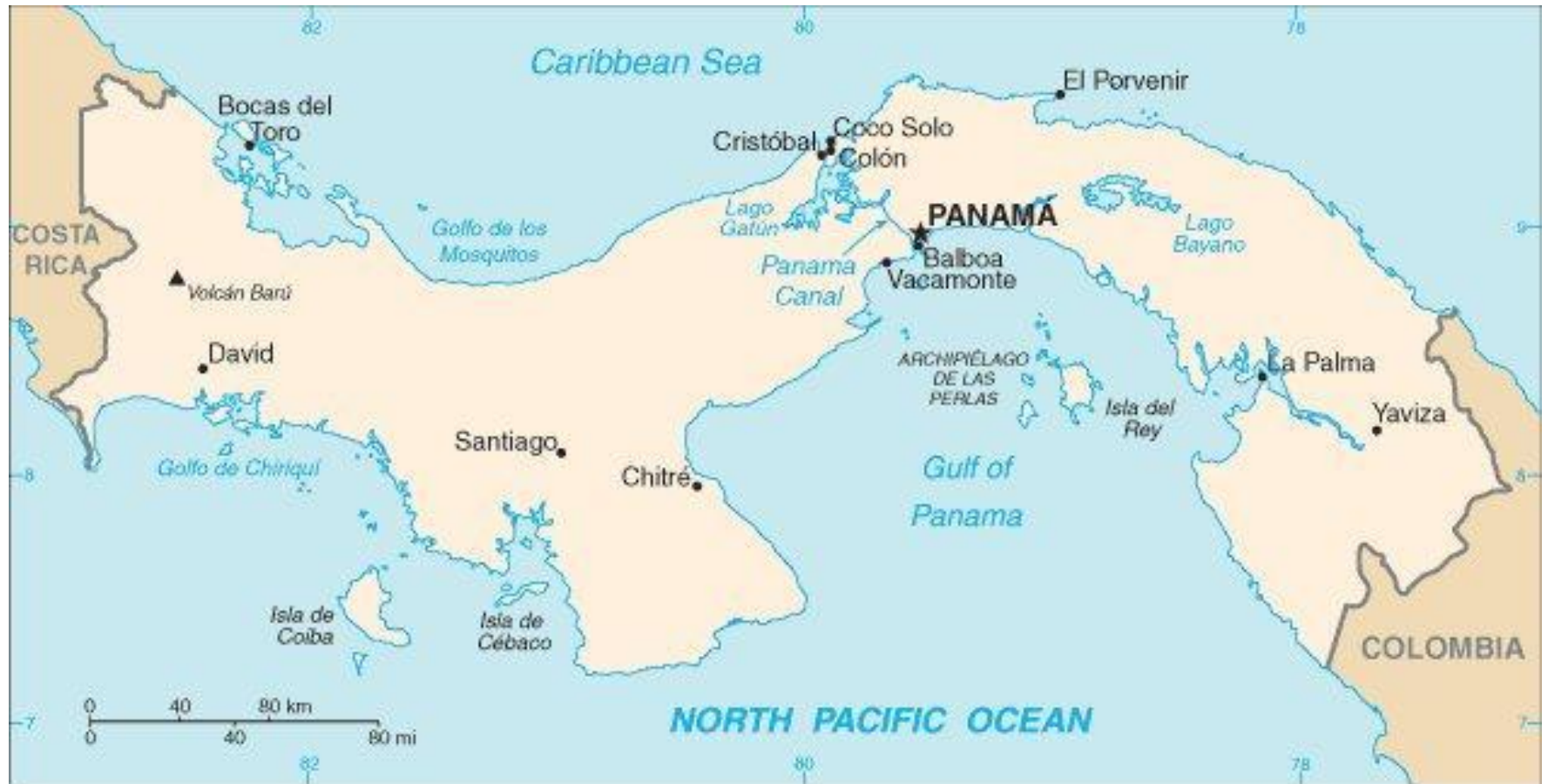


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Visit to Panama Canal





Panama Canal - the basic facts

- Built from 1904 to 1914
- 51 mile long passage connecting the Atlantic through the Caribbean to the Pacific
- Saves 8,000 miles from journey around southern tip of South America
- Panama Canal expansion project to add two new sets of locks and widen and deepen the navigation channels
- Cost of the expansion project is \$5.2 billion
- Expansion project will double the Canal's capacity
- Expansion project to be completed in 2014 - 2015
- Pre-expansion: Panamax vessel – 5,000 TEUs
- After expansion: Post-Panamax vessel – 12,000 – 13,000 TEUs

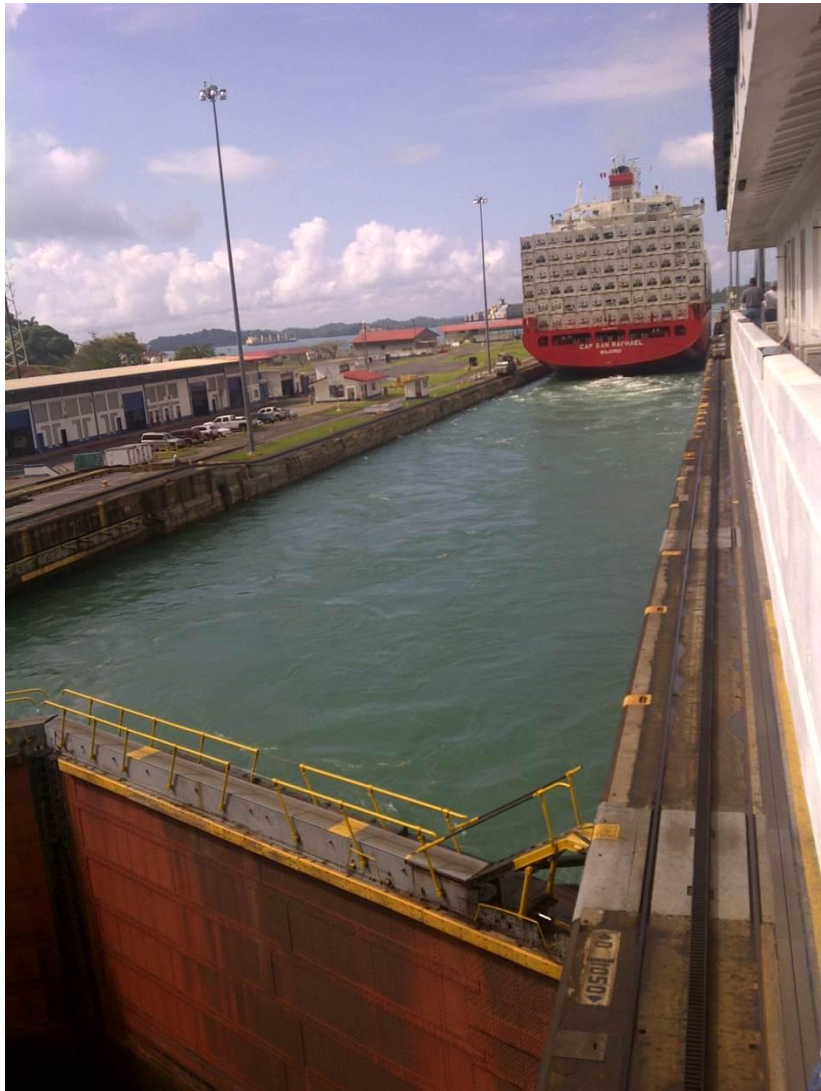
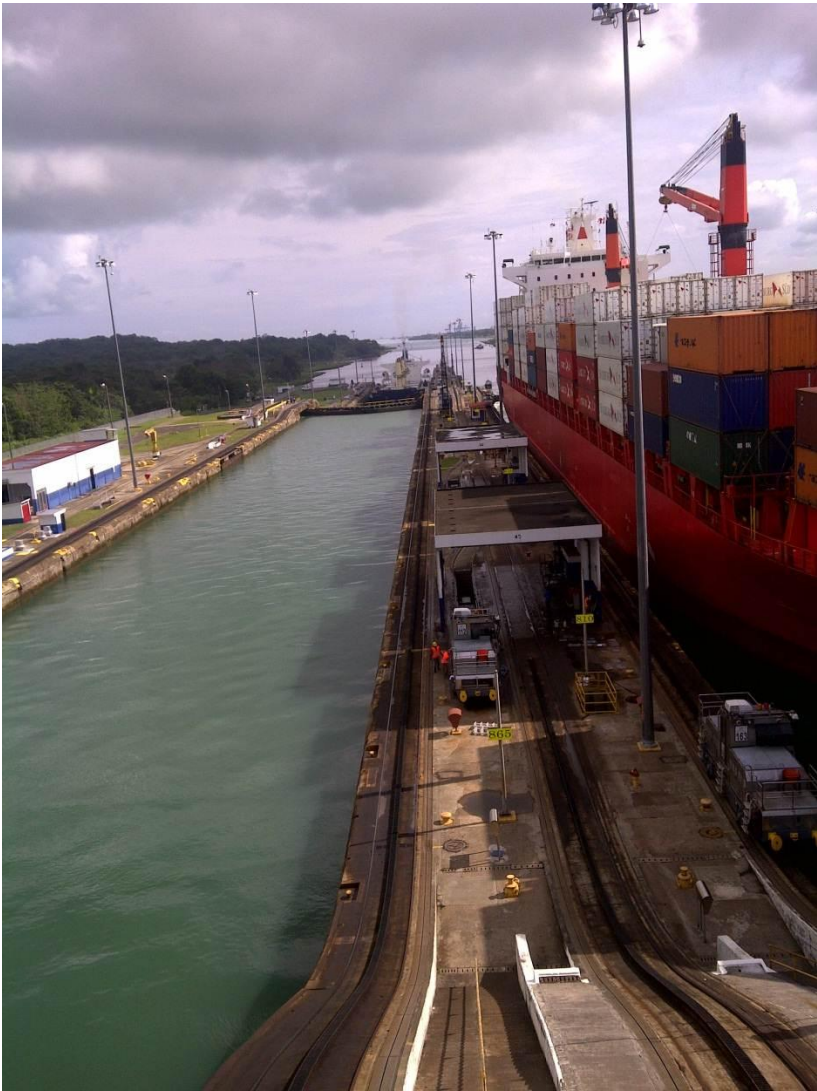


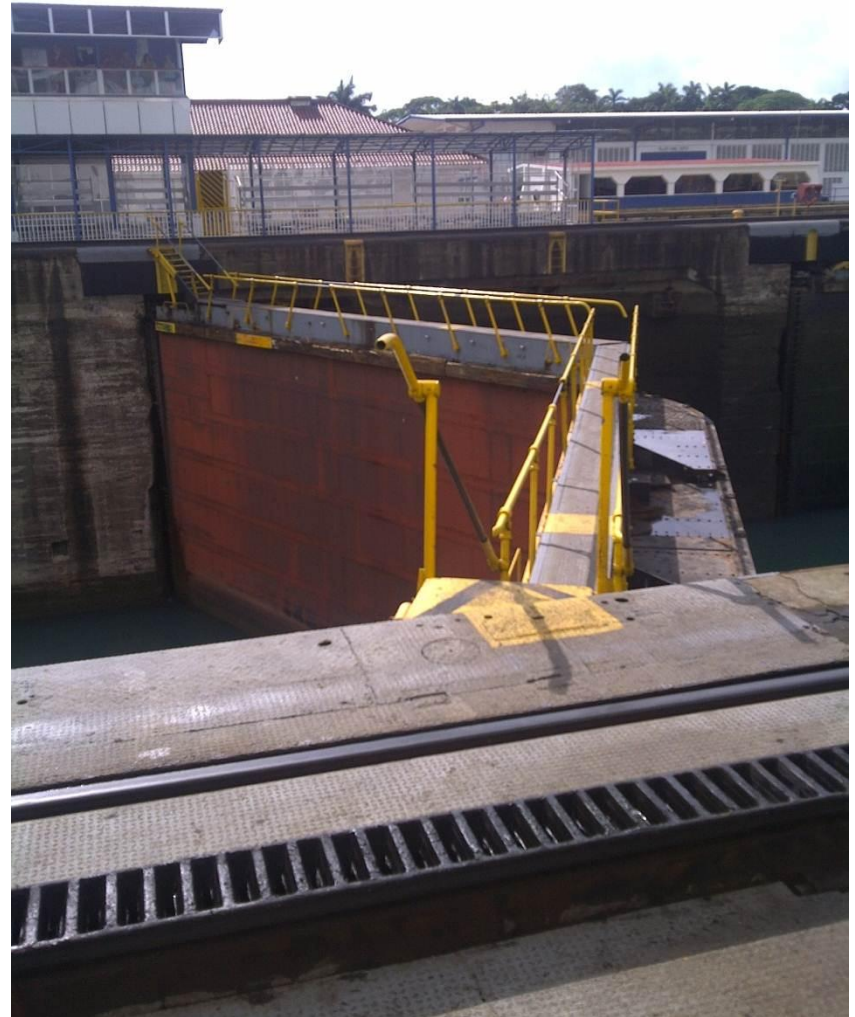
Original Control Room from 1914

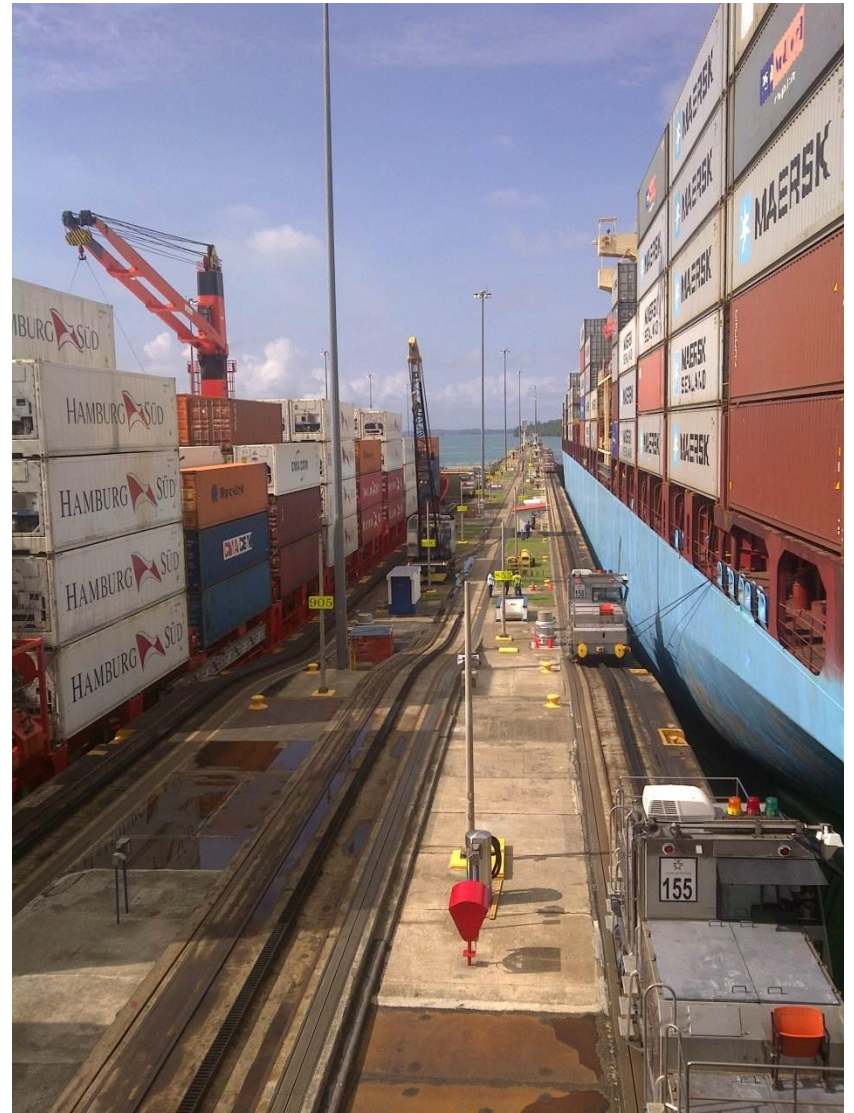


Modern Control Room











Panama City Skyline