

Larboard

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Interessante ontdekking vandaag. In het Engels werd vroeger ook **larboard** gebruikt voor **bakb**
oord

in de plaats van

port

nu. Er valt van alles te ontdekken op wikipedia over dit onderwerp. maar ook hier:

<http://oceanservice.noaa.gov/facts/port-starboard.html>

In the early days of boating, before ships had rudders on their centerlines, boats were controlled using a steering oar. Most sailors were right handed, so the steering oar was placed over or through the right side of the stern. Sailors began calling the right side the steering side, which soon became "starboard" by combining two Old English words: stéor (meaning "steer") and bord (meaning "the side of a boat").

As the size of boats grew, so did the steering oar, making it much easier to tie a boat up to a dock on the side opposite the oar. This side became known as larboard, or "the loading side." Over time, larboard—too easily confused with starboard—was replaced with port. After all, this was the side that faced the port, allowing supplies to be ported aboard by porters.