

# Victorian Heritage Database Report

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## COLCHESTER

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### Location

5 miles east of Shoal Inlet, Port Albert

### Victorian Heritage Register (VHR) Number

S133

### Date lost

07/07/1863

### Official number

31853

### Number of masts

2

### Length/Breadth/Depth

78.20 Feet / 20.00 Feet / 12.10 Feet

### Year of construction

1849

### Built port

Londonberry, Nova Scotia

### Built country

Canada

### Registration Number

11 of 1855

### Registration Port

Melbourne

**Date lost**

07/07/1863

**Departure**

Melbourne

**Destination**

Corner Inlet

**Cargo**

Timber Piles.

**Owner**

A.Anderson, J.Sharp and J. Wright 3

**Master**

Captain L. Williams

**Cause of loss**

Was driven ashore in a strong gale

**VHR history**

The Colchester was typical of the North American-built wooden sailing ships that were common on the Australian coast. It was caught on a lee shore off the Ninety Mile Beach and run ashore to prevent loss of life. The gale that wrecked the Colchester also destroyed the brigantine Emily and the barque General Jessop.<br />