

# Victorian Heritage Database Report

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## ESTER

### Location

Williamstown Rifle Range, Port Phillip Bay

### Victorian Heritage Register (VHR) Number

S243

### Date lost

1936

### Construction material

Wood

### Hull

Yellow metalled 1894; 1 deck, 2 tiers beams

### Propulsion

Sail

### Length/Breadth/Depth

137.10 Feet / 31.00 Feet / 16.80 Feet

### Year of construction

1886

### Built port

Grimstad

### Built country

Norway

### Registration Number

1935

## **Registration Port**

Melbourne

## **Date lost**

1936

## **Owner**

Victorian Lighterage Pty Ltd, 56 William St, Melbourne

## **Cause of loss**

Broken up and then burned by owners

## **VHR history**

The Ester was earlier owned by J. Jorgensen. The wooden barque arrived in Hobart from London in 1900. Purchased by Ester Shipping Co. presumably the source of her name. Only vessel out of Hobart fitted with a windmill pump - found to be very useful as the vessel leaked. One of her masters, Captain M.J. Phillips said he found it very handy as she required a lot of pumping to keep her from paying a visit to "Davey Jones". Condemned and hulked in Melbourne. Licence to operate as coal/wool lighter issued by Melbourne Harbour Trust 16 March 1912 - tonnage altered. Licence renewed 8 January 1918, last renewal 14 January 1935. Burnt, together with hulk Carmen, by owners.