

Victorian Heritage Database Report

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HELEN

Location

Tarwin Beach

Victorian Heritage Register (VHR) Number

S318

Date lost

03/1851

Construction material

Wood

Propulsion

Sail

Number of masts

2

Length/Breadth/Depth

0.00 / 0.00 / 0.00

Date lost

03/1851

Departure

Hobart

Destination

Victoria

Cargo

Provisions and stores

Cause of loss

Pirated and run ashore by convicts

VHR history

The remains of a wooden vessel near the wreck of the Magnat at Tarwin Lower are believed to be the schooner Helen. The vessel was seized by escaped convicts in Tasmania who fled across Bass Strait. On reaching the mainland, the Helen was run ashore. It was later burnt by a local settler to prevent its reuse by the convicts.