

# Victorian Heritage Database Report

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## ANTARES



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### Location

Bay of Islands, 22 miles east of Warrnambool

### Victorian Heritage Register (VHR) Number

S34

### Date lost

11/1914

### Construction material

Iron

### Hull

Possible clipper

**Propulsion**

Sail

**Number of masts**

3

**Length/Breadth/Depth**

260.30 Feet / 38.20 Feet / 23.10 Feet

**Year of construction**

1888

**Built port**

Glasgow

**Built country**

Scotland

**Registration Port**

Genoa, Italy

**Date lost**

11/1914

**Departure**

Marseilles

**Destination**

Melbourne

**Cargo**

Tiles consigned to Mullaly & Byrne

**Owner**

Semider Bros. of Genoa

**Master**

Captain Gazedo

**Statement of significance**

<p>The Antares is significant as a sail trader carrying an international inbound cargo. It is part of the Great Ocean Road Historic Shipwreck Trail.</p>

## **VHR history**

The Italian barque Antares left Marseilles 18th December 1913 for Melbourne, but failed to arrive. Wreckage was found near the Bay of Islands and a body had washed ashore. Some of the timbers were charred by fire, and a small boat's stern board with the name "Sutlej" led to the identification of the wreck as Antares which had been reported missing. According to Loney, the Antares wrecking was overshadowed by war news. A young local boy had apparently remarked that the Germans had arrived off the coast as he had seen them firing off shells and rockets, but his story was passed off as a joke. These rockets were most likely the distress signals from the stricken ship.<br /> The Italian barque Antares was reported overdue on a voyage from Marseilles to Melbourne. The wreck of the ship was later found at the base of a cliff at the Bay of Islands near Warrnambool - there were no survivors.