

Victorian Heritage Database Report

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ANTARES



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S34 Antares Peterborough
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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.
 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.