

Victorian Heritage Database Report

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NAUTILUS



shipNo485 2015 05 11
1431304760268 Jane Mitchell inspecting Nautilus frames



Nautilus Treenail



Nautilus Frames and planking



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Nautilus hull



Nautilus exposed cape liptrap

Location

Cape Liptrap

Victorian Heritage Register (VHR) Number

S485

Date lost

15 Jan 1856

Construction material

Wood

Propulsion

Sail

Number of masts

2

Length/Breadth/Depth

59.40 Feet / 17.70 Feet / 10.00 Feet

Year of construction

1839

Built port

Padstowe, Cornwall

Built country

England

Registration Number

70 of 1855

Registration Port

Melbourne

Date lost

15 Jan 1856

Departure

Melbourne

Destination

Western Port

Owner

Captain Tredwen of Melbourne

Master

Capt. Tredwen

Weather conditions

Strong winds

Cause of loss

Strong winds forced the vessel ashore

Number of crew

4

Crew comments

The crew walked overland to Port Albert to seek help.

VHR history

The schooner Nautilus was wrecked on the beach near Cape Liptrap. Strong winds blew the vessel off course and left it high and dry on the beach. Four of the crew walked overland to Port Albert, leaving the master and a female passenger at the wreck. The men were received with suspicion due to the fact that convicts were known to escape by boat from Van Diemens Land. After they produced a letter from the master to his agent in Melbourne, help was sent.