

# Victorian Heritage Database Report

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## ORION

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### Location

Bass Strait, disappeared between Tasmania and Melbourne

### Victorian Heritage Register (VHR) Number

S506

### Date lost

07/05/1908

### Official number

101782

### Construction material

Wood

### Hull

One deck, schooner rigged, round stern, carvel built, straight stem head

### Propulsion

Steam - Screw

### Number of masts

2

### Length/Breadth/Depth

123.90 Feet / 21.50 Feet / 10.20 Feet

### Builder

Harry Wood, West Devonport

### Year of construction

1900

**Built port**

West Devonport

**Built country**

Tasmania

**Registration Number**

1905

**Registration Port**

Launceston

**Date lost**

07/05/1908

**Departure**

Tasmania

**Destination**

Melbourne

**Owner**

William Holyman & Sons Ltd, Launceston (20 Oct. 1904)

**Cause of loss**

Foundered at sea

**Number of crew**

14

**Crew comments**

Including master

**VHR history**

The wooden steamer Orion left Duck River in northern Tasmania on its regular run to Melbourne. However, it disappeared without trace, taking the lives of the fourteen passengers and crew.