

# Victorian Heritage Database Report

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## ORBOST

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### Location

Waratah Bay, Wilsons Promontory

### Victorian Heritage Register (VHR) Number

S512

### Date lost

06/02/1904

### Official number

88938

### Construction material

Wood

### Hull

Wooden schooner, wooden framed, surveyed Melbourne, Dec 1898, Adelaide, June 1901. Not metaled

### Propulsion

Sail

### Number of masts

2

### Length/Breadth/Depth

68.00 Feet / 17.50 Feet / 5.40 Feet

### Builder

H. Erikson

### Year of construction

1885

**Built port**

Bairnsdale

**Built country**

Australia

**Registration Number**

1886

**Registration Port**

Melbourne

**Date lost**

06/02/1904

**Departure**

Snowy River

**Cargo**

Maize, tallow, hides, wool, turkeys, pigs

**Owner**

Orbost Shipping Co

**Master**

Captain Mortimer

**Cause of loss**

Dragged anchors and driven ashore

**Number of crew**

4

**VHR history**

The schooner Orbost was built for shipping produce from the Snowy River to Melbourne. On its last voyage, the vessel was sheltering in Waratah Bay from adverse weather. The wind changed to a south-easterly gale, causing the Orbost to drag its anchors and go ashore, becoming a total wreck.