

# Victorian Heritage Database Report

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## STAR OF MALLACOOTA

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### Location

Bass Strait, between Mallacoota and Melbourne

### Victorian Heritage Register (VHR) Number

S632

### Date lost

16/05/1893

### Official number

95983

### Construction material

Wood

### Hull

Single decked ketch, rounded stern, carvel built, timber framed, centreboard.

### Propulsion

Sail

### Number of masts

1

### Length/Breadth/Depth

44.60 Feet / 13.60 Feet / 4.50 Feet

### Builder

George Dorrان

### Year of construction

1891

**Built port**

Mallacoota

**Built country**

Australia

**Registration Number**

7 of 1891

**Registration Port**

Melbourne

**Date lost**

16/05/1893

**Departure**

Mallacoota

**Destination**

Melbourne

**Owner**

Henry Bucknall, gentleman, of Genoa.

**Cause of loss**

Disappeared at sea, supposed to have foundered

**VHR history**

The ketch Star of Mallacoota left Mallacoota for Melbourne in May 1893 and was not seen again.<br /> <br /> "Star of Mallacoota: Ketch which left Mallacoota Inlet on 16 May with a cargo for Melbourne has not yet arrived at her destination and it was assumed that she had foundered at sea during a gale. Information has now been received that the ketch was dismasted and otherwise damaged in a gale on the 12 June and is now in shelter on the southern coast for repair" (ASN 22 July 1893). Despite this report, however, it appears the vessel was lost as the Register was marked "Vessel left Genoa, Victoria 16.05.1893 & not since heard of. Supposed to have foundered. Register closed 29 Nov 1893"