

Victorian Heritage Database Report

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BLACK SQUALL

Location

Port Phillip Bay, off Williamstown

Victorian Heritage Register (VHR) Number

S64

Date lost

1856

Construction material

Wood

Propulsion

Sail

Number of masts

2

Length/Breadth/Depth

0.00 / 0.00 / 0.00

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1856

Cargo

Ship was teak (UID 98)
 Had sailed from Hobart, 8 March 1852, arriving in Melbourne on 26 March with 17 cabin, 8 steerage passengers, cargo of timber, paling. The master was J. Bowden (UID 16)

Cause of loss

Sank off Willismstown where hull became riddled with toredo worms (UID 98)

Statement of significance

<p>Due to limited historical information it is difficult to assess the significance of the vessel. As the vessel was hulked it is likely to be of limited archaeological significance.</p>

VHR history

Originally a barque, the vessel was lying unrigged on bank below Raleigh's Wharf where it was driven during floods when it rolled over and sank on 6 June 1852, obstructing shipping. At auction it was recommended for use as a store ship or boarding house. In 1853 it was used as a coal hulk. It sank off Williamstown in 1856 where the hull became riddled with teredo worms. Had sailed from Hobart, 8 March 1852, arriving in Melbourne on 26 March 1852 with 17 cabin, 8 steerage passengers, cargo of timber, paling. The master was J. Bowden.
