

Victorian Heritage Database Report

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SURPRISE

Location

Bass Strait, between Gippsland lakes and Port Phillip

Victorian Heritage Register (VHR) Number

S644

Date lost

02 Mar 1866

Official number

53954

Construction material

Wood

Hull

1 deck, sharp stern carvel built no galleries, no figurehead

Propulsion

Sail

Number of masts

2

Length/Breadth/Depth

53.50 Feet / 15.90 Feet / 4.90 Feet

Year of construction

1862

Built port

Williamstown, Victoria

Built country

Australia

Registration Port

Melbourne

Date lost

02 Mar 1866

Departure

Gippsland Lakes

Destination

Melbourne

Owner

Thomas Jones and Daniel Ross, mariners, of Williamstown

Master

Captain D Ross

Weather conditions

SW gale

Cause of loss

Lost at sea

VHR history

Vessel lost in March 1866 on her voyage from Gippsland Lakes to Melbourne. Gale took four other ships at the same time. Mandarin, Victory, Surprise Pomona, and Bitter Beer.