Victorian Heritage Database Report

TRINCULO

S680 Trinculo
NinetyMileBeachLakesEntrance
SideView BD

S680 Trinculo
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Detail BD

S680 Trinculo
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IronJoining MJ

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Measuring MJ

Location

Ninety Mile Beach, east of Seaspray

Victorian Heritage Register (VHR) Number

S680

Date lost

30/05/1879

Official number

21493

Construction material

Iron

Hull

Iron hulled, single decked, 3 masted, carvel hulled, elliptical stern, iron framed with 2 cemented bulkheads and a man's figurehead. One of the vessel's iron water tanks was removed by a local farmer in the early 1900s and is now at Golden Beach.

Propulsion

Sail

Number of masts

3

Length/Breadth/Depth

138.10 Feet / 23.70 Feet / 14.40 Feet

Year of construction

1858

Built port

Bristol

Built country

England

Registration Number

1873 (May)

Registration Port

Melbourne

Date lost

30/05/1879

Departure

King George Sound (Albany)

Destination

Newcastle

Cargo

In ballast

Owner

Bowring (1860), Mcgregor (1865)
 James Patterson (1873)

Master

Captain Williams

VHR history

The barque Trinculo was proceeding to Newcastle for coal after delivering a cargo to King George Sound. After encountering a south easterly gale in Bass Strait, it was driven ashore on the Ninety Mile Beach. A crewman managed to get a line from the wreck to the shore allowing the Captain, his wife and child and the remaining crew to reach safety. Seaman Lefevre recieved a silver medal from the Humane Society for his actions. The vessel was insured by Derwent & Tamar Insurance Company of Tasmania for 2000 pounds. The vessel was sold to the underwriters for 100 pounds.The Trinculo had previously been stranded on the African coast in 1871 and was repaired in 1872.