MARITIME INFORMATION



The Western Australian Museum - Maritime

EDUCATION

Voyages of Grand Discovery





Students become trainee sailors and travel through the *Voyages of Grand Discovery* Exhibition at the Western Australian Museum - Maritime (20 July to 18 November). This is a once in a life-time opportunity to see precious maps, books, ship models and artefacts from state and private collections relating to Dutch, French and English voyages searching for the great Southland between 1616 and 1803.

Like the navigators, naturalists and cartographers travelling with Hartog, De Vlamingh, Dampier and Baudin, the young explorers record their discoveries in a Sea Journal. They use their senses to experience the conditions of life aboard sailing ships.

As young naturalists, they observe the magnificent hand coloured engravings by Charles-Alexandre Lesueur and, like real ocean-going explorers, record what they see on their travels. They discover the traces these famous mariners left behind to convey messages and claims to the Southland, to future seafarers.

The young adventurers set sail on a journey of discovery through the Museum's Indian Ocean Gallery. They step back in time to the Arab market place where they see, feel and smell the goods traded in the Indian Ocean region long ago, which inspired maritime explorers to search further for new riches. They sketch several trade items and write brief notes about them in their journal.

The junior mariners observe the developing technologies of boat construction such as the the outrigger canoe, which allowed more adventurous exploration of the Indian Ocean region. Young sailors manipulate navigation instruments that past explorers used to find their way across uncharted oceans.

This program is relevant to the following Learning Areas:

Arts - Skills and processes **English -** Speaking and listening; viewing; writing **Health and Physical Education -** Self management skills **Mathematics -** Chance and data; measurement **Science -** Energy and change; life and living; working scientifically **Society and Environment -** Time, continuity and change; resources; place and space **Technology and Enterprise -** Technology skills

Suits: Year 4-8 Time: 1.5 hours Cost: \$5.00 per student

For information and booking call 9431 8455







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