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# Fort Dumaresq

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## Location

Rhyll, BASS COAST SHIRE

## Municipality

BASS COAST SHIRE

## Level of significance

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## Heritage Listing

Vic. War Heritage Inventory

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Construction dates 1826,

Hermes Number 126116

Property Number

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## Physical Description 1

Small battery.

## Historical Australian Themes

Exploring and surveying/Defence

## Usage/Former Usage

Other

## Veterans Description for Public

Fort Dumaresq at Rhyll on Phillip Island was built due to fears of a French annexation of the southern coastline of the continent. A group set sail in a small brig "The Dragon", escorted by HMS Fly set sail for Western Port, landing on the island November 26th, 1826. The settlement comprised of the following: Captain Wright of the 3rd Buffs Regiment with Lt Burchill as his second in command, 21 convicts and the explorer Hovell. The settlement only consisted of a few buildings at Settlement Point, and the small battery Fort Dumaresq. The settlement was abandoned a year later.

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