

Schools Programs With Enterprize Overnight and Longer Voyages

The topsail schooner *Enterprize* is a beautifully-crafted timber replica of the ship that brought the first European settlers to Melbourne in 1835. *Enterprize* now gives people of all ages the opportunity to experience life on board a nineteenth-century sailing ship.

The *Enterprize* Ship Trust provides a range of educational programs for schools varying from day excursions suitable for Years 3 through to 12 to extended voyages of 2 to 8 Days for students years 7-12.



Multi-Day Voyages on Enterprize

For older students, *Enterprize* offers a range of multi-day voyages both within Port Phillip Bay or out into Bass Strait to suit a variety of purposes. Living aboard ship for up to eight days, students learn the basics of sailing as well as the co-operation needed to live and work in such close quarters. Voyages often culminate in the students taking command of the ship for a day to practice their new-found skills.

In addition to developing skills in sailing and navigation, these voyages are designed to foster teamwork and leadership skills, with students working together to sail the ship, as well as providing a confidence boost through their newfound abilities.

Numbers: For overnight voyages, the ship can sleep up to eight students and one teacher.

Cost: For quotes on all multi-day sails, please contact our office.

Schools normally arrive at 10am on the first day for an orientation on the ship. After a basic introduction to a tall sailing ship and a safety briefing from the crew, *Enterprize* sets sails around noon.

Over the course of the next several days, students gain hands-on experience in sailing the ship, from setting and dousing sails and coiling lines to helming and bow watch. Furthermore, students also share other responsibilities that come with living aboard ship for a extended period of time, such as cooking, cleaning, energy and water conservation and maintaining a night watch system.

Where possible *Enterprize* will leave Port Phillip Bay during these sails, time and weather permitting—while a three-day sail is often insufficient to reach Port Phillip Heads and return, a four—or more day sail usually allows for some time in Bass Strait.

Voyages often culminate in the students being given command of the ship, under the watchful eye of the crew, and sailing *Enterprize* back to port, using the sailing and teamwork skills they've gained throughout the voyage.





Booking

To make a booking or enquiry please email us at the address below with the approximate numbers of students, length and type of sail and the desired date of sail and we will get back to you as soon as possible.

Contact Details

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