

# WELCOME TO THE BROOME HISTORICAL MUSEUM

Broome has a fascinating past. This museum guide will help you explore all the exhibits.

The Broome Historical Society is a community based, not-for-profit organisation and our museum is staffed by volunteers. We value your feedback so please use our visitor survey form or leave a review on Trip Advisor.

## VISITING WITH KIDS?

Enquire at the front desk for a quiz for your child to complete. Non-reader to primary school are available. When complete, return the quiz to the front desk volunteer for a reward.

## RUN OUT OF TIME?

Our visitors often underestimate the length of time that can be spent here. If you'd like to return on another day please ask the front desk volunteer for a pass-out voucher, valid for 7 days.

## FAMILY HISTORY RESEARCH

If you have a pearling or Broome connection in your family tree please ask the front desk if there is a folder on your ancestor. For a small fee further research can be undertaken on your behalf.

## MUSEUM BUILDING (OLD CUSTOM'S HOUSE)

The Museum building was constructed in the late 1890s as a general store owned by pearlmen Newman & Goldstein. By 1910 Customs had moved in and they occupied it until 1979. The Broome Historical Society has run the Broome Museum from here since 1981.



## THE SAILMAKER'S SHED

The Sailmakers Shed was built circa 1897 to house Charles Bagge's sailmaking business. After years of neglect a demolition order was placed on it.

However, the Broome Historical Society was able to save and restore it, winning a WA Heritage Award and a UNESCO High Commendation in the process.



## THE RAE VAL ANNEXE

This building was formerly the mess hall for the employees of the Public Works Department when the Port of Broome was under construction. The Broome Historical Society had it relocated to its present site and renovated to house its expanding collection.



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