



The first people

- Before 1800's Melbourne swampy land
- Maribyrnong and Yarra River flowed into Port Phillip Bay
- Aboriginal tribes sailed up river during summer to fish and hunt



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Port Education Program

Discover Melbourne's trade window to the world

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The Port of Melbourne

The Port of Melbourne is the largest container and general cargo port in Australia, handling around 36% of the nation's container trade with over 3,400 ship visits per year.

Port of Melbourne Corporation (PoMC) has developed an exciting education program enabling school students and the community to learn more about the activities of the port, shipping and global trade.

A unique learning centre

PoMC's Port Education Centre (Port Ed) is located in the heart of the port, on the Yarra River, opposite the port's international container terminal.

At Port Ed students can learn about the activities of the Port of Melbourne and the vital role it plays in the Victorian economy.

PoMC's port education program opens a window to the world of traded goods and commodities which are a feature of our daily lives.

Learning at all levels

Port Ed offers schools, tertiary institutions and community groups the opportunity to view ships and the workings of a busy port.

A visit to Port Ed can be tailored to meet the specific needs of a class and can include:

- **Primary:** Role and function of a port, types of ships and buoyancy
- **Secondary:** History of the Port of Melbourne, port economics, port operations and world trade
- **Tertiary:** Port careers and supply chain logistics
- **Community:** Port trade and port development and its role in supporting our everyday lives.



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