



British Settlement of Australia
1769-1901

British Voyage
← Cook, 1769-1770

■ 1788-1830	● Penal colony
■ 1831-1875	● Other colony
■ 1876-1901	● 1836 Year founded
	■ Gold mine

0 300 600 miles
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Map shows boundaries of 1901.

4 1850s The discovery of gold leads to large-scale immigration. Australia's population grows from 400,000 to 4 million by 1900.

2 1788 The first British colony is founded at Port Jackson. The first colonists to arrive are mostly convicts.

3 1820s Wool becomes Australia's main export. As more grazing land is needed, settlers seize Aborigine land.

5 1901 The Commonwealth of Australia is created in 1901. The "white Australia policy" is adopted, banning non-white immigrants.

1 1769-1770 James Cook claims the east coast of Australia for Britain and names it New South Wales.