

# Coastal Cruising Companion

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Hi folks,

Having just returned to a cold, wintery Tasmanian day, I can understand why there are so many vessels heading north. We counted 14 in East Boyd Bay at Eden last week, and I have heard that other popular anchorages such as the Hole in the Wall in Jervis Bay is rather busy. We had a good crossing, managed to sail most of the way, took us 23 hours from Babel Island to Gabo. Wind behind us, about 20 kts, the boat loved it, and, no-one was seasick! We found a few new anchorages and a hike in the mooring fees at Eden, details follow. Hope the information is useful.

This is *Albert* our not so *Shy Albatross* from Wineglass Bay.



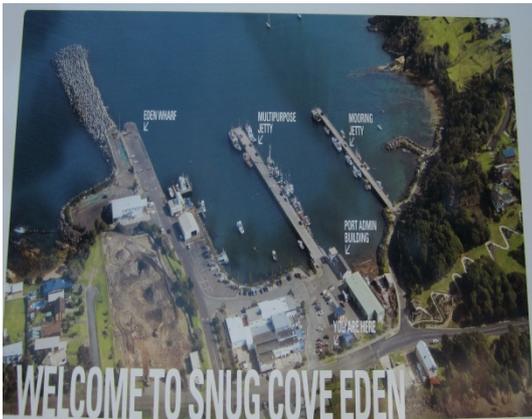
## Moreys Beach – Schouten Island Tasmania

We had good holding in sand (some kelp patches) in about 4m, with shelter from *E – W*. Ashore there is a marked walking track to Bear Hill which has good views over Great Oyster Bay and Freycinet. There can be a bit of a roll in strong *SW* weather.



## The Gardens – N of Binalong Bay Tasmania

Good holding in sand, about 3.5m, very clear water. Watch out for rocks off Suicide Beach and Gardens Reef, the area is fished intensively so you also need to watch out for fishing boats and cray pot buoys.



## Snug Cove – Eden NSW

Temporary Mooring Fees have increased at the Mooring Jetty (locally known as the Skinny Wharf), currently: (Pd=per day)  
Vessels up to 10m - \$20 pd Vessels between 10 to 15m - \$25pd  
Vessels over 15m - \$30pd Enquiries 02 6496 3129 .

As usual, the jetty was very crowded and most anchored out.

If disembarking at Eden for a coach to Melbourne with Premier Coachlines, they are currently only operating Tue, Thu and Sat. Ex Eden at 0010 from the Caltex Fuel Station on the Highway.

Other anchorages we enjoyed for the first time were, Jamieson Bay at Cape Barren Island, Sellars Point off Flinders Island near Babel Island, and Bittangabee Creek just S of Eden. Information of those next time.

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