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FROM EDEN TO WINDSOR CASTLE: THE AMAZING LIFE OF SIR OSWALD BRIERLY

by Bob Lawrence



Sir Oswald Brierly, c 1870 (National Portrait Gallery)

Bob Lawrence discusses the life of the prominent nineteenth century English artist Sir Oswald Brierly, who as a young man accompanied Ben Boyd to Australia. He managed Boyd's whaling operations at Twofold Bay between 1842 and 1848. In 1848 Brierly was a shipboard artist on HMS *Rattlesnake*, which surveyed the Great Barrier Reef, Torres Strait and parts of New Guinea. His now destroyed painting of the *Rattlesnake* in a squall near Timor was on the walls of Oswald Bloxsome's Mosman house The Rangers. Brierly returned to England in 1851, later becoming the official marine artist to Queen Victoria. He revisited Australia in 1867-1868 with Queen Victoria's son Prince Alfred.

Bob Lawrence has held senior positions as a journalist and media adviser. Between 1989 and 1999 he was Director of Public Relations with the NSW Farmers' Association. His well-received biography of Brierly was published in 2017.

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