Born 1774 in England. Died 1814. He was in the Royal Navy and he was a cartographer (a map maker).

He led the first circumnavigation of Australia and identified it as a continent.

He suggested naming the new continent 'Australia', as an umbrella term for New Holland and New South Wales – a suggestion taken up later by Governor Macquarie. On his way back to England, he was held prisoner for 6 years while France and England were at war. Although he reached home in 1810, he was very sick and did not live to see the publication of his book and atlas, *A Voyage to Terra Australis*.