

## **Journey of the First Fleet**

*11 ships.*

*252 days.*

*15,900 miles.*

At the start of the voyage:

732 convicts:

543 men

189 women

22 convicts' children:

11 boys

11 girls

619 officials, marines, crew,  
and their families.

a total of

1373 people

During the voyage:

22 births:

13 boys

9 girls

69 deaths, discharges, desertions:

61 men

8 women

Approximately

1530 people

left England and

1483 people

reached Sydney Cove.

**May 13, 1787**

The Fleet Departs Portsmouth, England

**June 3, 1787**

Santa Cruz Tenerife Canary  
Ships watered and provisioned  
Depart again on June 10

**July 14, 1787**

Cross Equator

**August 6, 1787**

Rio De Janeiro, Brazil  
ships watered and provisioned  
Depart again September 4

**October 14, 1787**

Cape Town  
ships watered and provisioned  
17 women transferred from Friendship  
to Charlotte & Prince of Wales  
to make room for stock  
Depart again November 12.

**January 18, 1788**

First 4 ships arrive at Botany Bay  
Remaining ships arrive January 20

**January 26, 1788**

Ships move up to Sydney Cove  
officially establishing the penal colony

**The Ships:**

HMS Sirius  
HMS Supply  
Alexander  
Borrowdale  
Charlotte  
Fishburn  
Friendship  
Golden Grove  
Lady Penrhyn  
Prince of Wales  
Scarborough

*Portsmouth to Rio de Janeiro: 6100 miles*

*Rio de Janeiro to Cape Town: 3300 miles*

*Cape Town to Botony Bay: 6500 miles*