

# Captain Jim Mary Grant Bruce: A Pioneer in Antarctic Exploration and Oceanography



Captain James Clark Ross (1800-1862) was a British naval officer and explorer who made several important expeditions to the Arctic and Antarctic. He is best known for his two Antarctic expeditions in 1839-1843

and 1845-1848, during which he discovered the Ross Sea and the Ross Ice Shelf. Ross was also the first to discover the Victoria Land coast, which he named after Queen Victoria.



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## **Early Life and Career**

Ross was born in London in 1800. He joined the Royal Navy at the age of 12 and served in the Napoleonic Wars. In 1818, he was appointed to the Arctic expedition of Sir John Franklin. Ross served as Franklin's second-in-command and played a key role in the expedition's success.

In 1839, Ross was given command of his own expedition to the Antarctic. He sailed from England in the HMS Erebus and HMS Terror. The expedition made its way to the Antarctic and discovered the Ross Sea. Ross also discovered the Ross Ice Shelf, which he named after himself.

## **Second Antarctic Expedition**

In 1845, Ross returned to the Antarctic for a second expedition. This time, he sailed to the Victoria Land coast. Ross explored the coast and

discovered several new islands and mountains. He also discovered the Victoria Land volcano, which he named after Queen Victoria.

Ross's second expedition was a success, and he returned to England in 1848. He was hailed as a hero and was knighted by Queen Victoria. Ross's discoveries helped to open up the Antarctic to further exploration.

## Later Life

After his return from the Antarctic, Ross continued to serve in the Royal Navy. He retired from the Navy in 1856 and lived in Scotland until his death in 1862.

## Legacy

James Clark Ross is remembered as one of the greatest Antarctic explorers of all time. His discoveries helped to open up the Antarctic to further exploration and paved the way for the scientific study of the continent.

## Additional Resources

\* [Sir James Clark Ross]([https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/James\\_Clark\\_Ross](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/James_Clark_Ross)) on Wikipedia \* [James Clark Ross] (<https://www.britannica.com/biography/James-Clark-Ross>) on Encyclopedia Britannica \* [James Clark Ross] (<https://www.nmm.ac.uk/explore/people/james-clark-ross>) on the website of the National Maritime Museum

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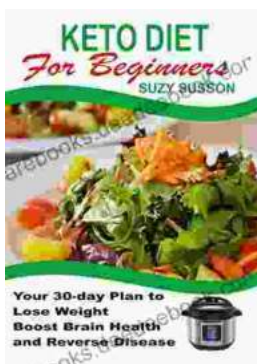
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