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NOTE

Eddie Mabo may be referred to as Eddie, Eddie Mabo, Eddie Koiki Mabo or Koiki. Murray Island may also be referred to as Mer, being the Islander name for the island.

HISTORICAL CONTEXT

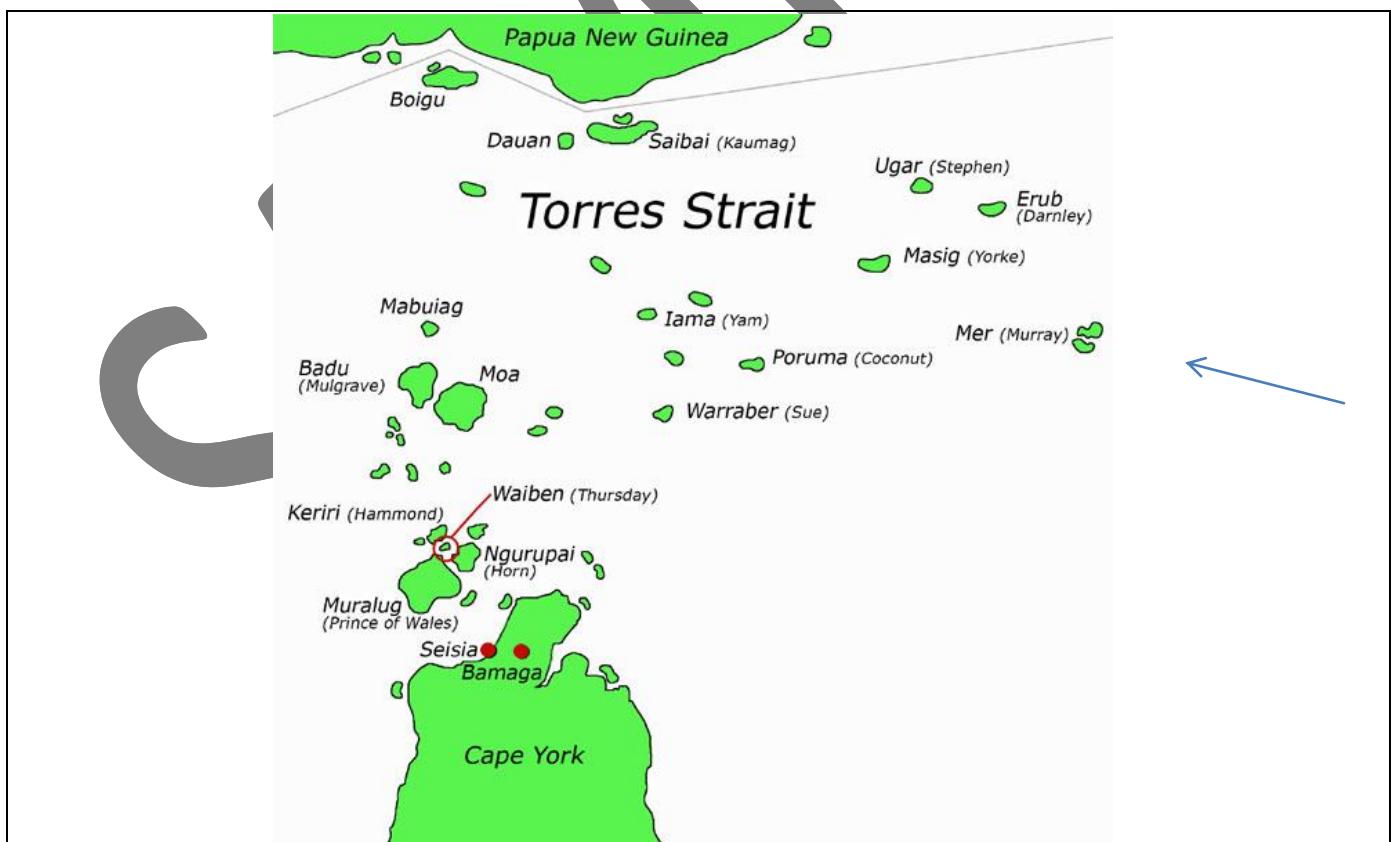
Torres Strait

Torres Strait Islanders are the Indigenous people of the Torres Strait Islands. They are culturally and genetically Melanesian people. They are distinct from the Aboriginal people of Australia.

There are 6,000 Torres Strait Islanders living in the Torres Strait. A further 42,000 live elsewhere, particularly in Queensland.

Torres Strait Islanders have a distinct culture. They are seafarers and trade with people of Papua New Guinea. The culture combines both Australian and Papuan influences, as do the languages.

The lifestyle is essentially based on subsistence practices. The Islanders are agriculturalists, and they also fish, hunt and gather.



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