

## Background Information on Mornington Peninsula and Port Phillip Bay

If you have not already done so via the activity sheets, prior to your fieldwork trip allow some time for students to familiarise themselves with the characteristics of the region that your fieldwork trip is focussed on (ie. Mornington Peninsula or Port Phillip Bay). This can be done by researching sites such as those listed below and describing the key geographic characteristics of this region. A table similar to that below could be used to record this information (edit the characteristics to suit your location).

It is recommended that you firstly create your own base map using sites such as:

- [Google Earth](#)
- [Field Papers](http://www.fieldpapers.org) ([www.fieldpapers.org](http://www.fieldpapers.org))
- [Near Map](#) (if you have access to it)
- [MapMaker](#)

Prior to your fieldwork trip, using appropriate geographic conventions, mark in the location of the fieldwork sites.

Some useful sites that provide an overview of the Mornington Peninsula and Port Phillip Bay to look at before your fieldwork trip are:

### Mornington Peninsula

- [Mornington Peninsula Shire](#)
- [Mornington Peninsula National Park- Parks Victoria](#)
- [Visit Victoria- Things to do Mornington Peninsula](#)

### Port Phillip Bay

- [Altona Beauty](#)
- [Victoria Marine](#)
- [Parks Victoria – Port Phillip Bay](#)
- [Yarra and Bay](#)

Location: \_\_\_\_\_

Geographic Characteristic	Key Facts
Relative Location	
Size	
Topography	
Geological Formation	
River Systems	
Flora	
Fauna	
Climate	
Population size and distribution	
Key economic activities	
Main human modifications	

