

Muslims in Australia

The first Muslims to settle in Australia for any length of time arrived in the 19th century to tend the camel trains that helped open the continent's vast interior. In 1858 George Landell, well known exporter of horses to India, was commissioned by the Victorian Exploration Committee to buy camels and recruit camel drivers. Twenty-four camels and three drivers, two of whom were Muslim, arrived in Melbourne in 1860 to join the Burke and Wills expedition.

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