



Cook's chart of the 'Labyrinth'

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Chart of Part of the Coast of New South Wales, From Cape Tribulation to Endeavour Straits. By Lieut. J. Cook, 1770.

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Cook's chart of the Cape York Peninsula from Cape Tribulation to Cape York, orientated with north to the right. At Cape Tribulation is a note: 'On this ledge the ship laid 23 Hours, and received much damage'. After this setback Cook sailed outside the dangerous reefs and so the coast between Cape Flattery and Cape Weymouth was not mapped. These reefs and islands he called 'The Labyrinth'. Engraved by J. Cheevers for Hawkesworth's important work 'An Account of the Voyages... for making Discoveries in the Southern Hemisphere', the official account of Cook's First Voyage.

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