



1. *Whydah* Bell

The bell provided confirmation that the wreck site was indeed the *Whydah*, which sank in 1717.

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2. *Whydah* Pirates

(From left to right): Hendrick Quintor, John King, Captain Sam Bellamy, and John Julian — four pirates featured in this exhibition.

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3. Sam Bellamy, Captain of the *Whydah*.

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4. Skull and Cross Swords

The Jolly Roger was hoisted to scare other ship's crews to surrendering their ship without a fight. The flag meant the ship approaching was full of pirates who did not consider themselves bound by the usual rules of engagement.



5. Pirate Gold

Gold and silver coins, and other valued artifacts, recovered from the wreck site of the *Whydah*. The pirate ship held loot from more than 50 ships.

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6. Coins

18th century Spanish coins found at the *Whydah* shipwreck site.
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7. Gold Ring

This ring was recovered from the wreck site of the *Whydah*. Some believe the cryptic letters are an abbreviated Welsh “good luck” wish.

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8. Akan Gold Pendant

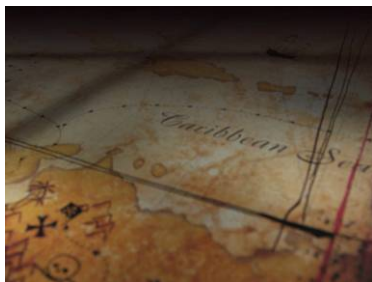
Some of the finest treasure found in the *Whydah* wreckage was Akan gold jewelry from West Africa. The gold was used as currency in the slave trade.

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9. *Whydah* Capture

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10. Map of the Caribbean

In the early 1700's, maps were a highly prized possession because many seas and lands were uncharted.

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11. Sun King Pistol

When found in the *Whydah* shipwreck, the handle of the Sun King pistol was wrapped in a silk ribbon. The ribbon improved the gunman's grip and was used to hang the pistol around their neck.

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12. Cannon

Pirate ships were heavily armed. Cannon was the heaviest artillery against patrolling navy vessels and were kept loaded, ready to fire. Over one dozen cannon have been recovered from the *Whydah*.

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13. Sword guard

This wood-handled, double-shell knuckle guard was attached to a cutlass. Short, thick, and wide knives; cutlasses were kept corded onto a pirate's wrist.

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14. Diver with coin

Recovery divers meticulously locate and remove artifacts from the shipwrecked *Whydah* before sand sweeps back, covering them.

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15. Barry Clifford

Underwater explorer Barry Clifford holds some treasures from the *Whydah* wreck site. Clifford discovered the ship in 1984 off the coast of Cape Cod.

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16. X-ray Artifact

X-ray technology helps Barry Clifford and his conservation team see inside concretions. Concretions are masses of sediment and rock that have caked around the *Whydah* artifacts.

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17. *Whydah* Model

This scale model of the *Whydah* shows parts of the deck — including the bell, wheel, and rigging — as they may have looked.

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18. Treasure Gallery

When the *Whydah* sank, she was carrying booty plundered from more than 50 ships. There was a fortune on-board in gold and silver.

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19. The *Whydah*

A life-size replica the *Whydah* stern is on display in the **Real Pirates** exhibition.

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