



Author Clint Earnshaw's modified Blackwatch 26 diesel at the north end of Middle Island



Great example of why they are called "painted crays"



Look, but don't touch - and don't stay here on the island for more than an hour a day. One of the sites for the 1950's A-bomb trials.

The gang's all here ! Ah Chong Island shown here is at the southern end - almost the start - of the widespread complex of approx 70 recognised or named islands, with dozens of islets, exposed tidal reefs, gutters and lagoons spreading northwards over approx 10 nm. Tides range up to 3.3m during springs. All-weather anchorages abound through the islands.



Clint Earnshaw leads the way, with Part 2 of this spectacular report

Exploring The WA Montebello Islands