

Pierre-François Bernier

Born in La Rochelle (Charente Maritime) on 19 November 1779

Astronomer on board the *Naturaliste*

Transferred to the *Géographe* at the Ile de France on 22 April 1801

Age on departure from Le Havre: 20

Died at sea on 6 June 1803, 3 days after the ship's departure from Timor, from a fever no doubt contracted there

*Further information:*

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- Jacques Vialle, “Le destin tragique de Pierre-François Bernier”, *The Baudin Expedition 1800-1804*, special number of the *Australian Journal of French Studies*, XLI, 2, 2004, pp. 165-170.