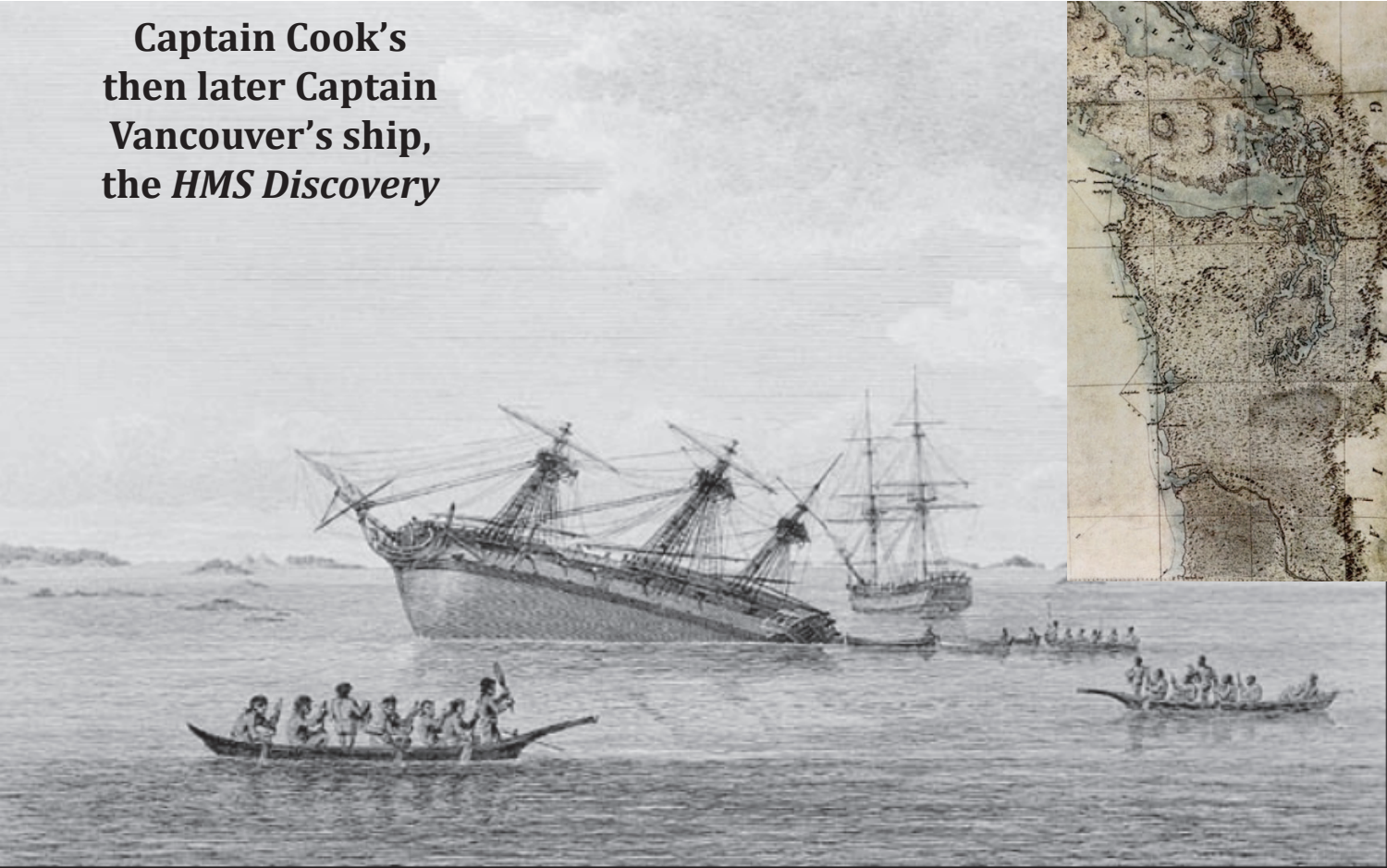


History

**Captain Cook's
then later Captain
Vancouver's ship,
the *HMS Discovery***



From 1792 to 1794, George Vancouver charted the Pacific Northwest on behalf of Great Britain, including the Strait of Georgia, the bays and inlets of Puget Sound, and much of the rest of the British Columbia Coast and southeast Alaska shorelines. Spanish ships met Vancouver in the Strait of Georgia on June 21, 1792. Vancouver had just explored Puget Sound. The Spanish explorers also knew of the unexplored region to the south. After sharing maps and agreeing to cooperate, they sailed north together to Nootka Sound. Hence the strange mix of Puget Sound names used today, both Spanish & English.

Vancouver had a mapping and navigation advantage; his ship had 2 precise chronometers for determining longitude. He employed a “running survey” that used a log line to determine the speed of his ship which gave him distance while the sextant gave him latitude. That said, no one knew the currents, the tides, or the hidden rocks. Pictured at the left is his ship the *HMS Discovery*, run aground in early August 1792. Everyone has a “Bad Day at Black Rock” as they say.

Ethnobotanical Gardens

Native plant “starts” from Bönhoeffer Gardens (to your SW, by the I-5) illustrate 99 foods and materials available to the American peoples who lived here 10,000 years without the need to develop agriculture. Planter boxes contain:

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