# Victorian Heritage Database Report

# **The Briars**



front fence

Driveway



House



House

# Location

5-8 The Briars, MOOROOLBARK VIC 3138 - Property No 66580

# Municipality

YARRA RANGES SHIRE

#### Level of significance

Included in Heritage Overlay

# **Heritage Overlay Numbers**

HO73

# **Heritage Listing**

Yarra Ranges Shire

**Statement of Significance** 

Last updated on - July 5, 2000

A beautiful old homestead built in the region's boom period for a recognised Australian explorer, with minimal alterations. (Tansley, 1978)

The Briars, a late example of the Italianate style is of State significance for its historical associations with William Carr Boyd, notable explorer; the McCracken family, well-known brewers, and Paul De Castella, prominent landowner and vigneron. The garden is of regional significance and contains some indivudually fine mature tree specimens and is of contributory significance to the homestead. The prominent hilltop setting makes the mature garden a significant landmark of the area. (NT, 4935)

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Hermes Number 115858

**Property Number** 

**Physical Description 1** 

A large single-storey solid-brick homestead of the Victorian-Italianate style. It has a two-storey tower with a balustraded cornice, a corrugated iron roof and a wide verandah on two sides. (Tansley, 1978)

#### **Physical Conditions**

Excellent

This place/object may be included in the Victorian Heritage Register pursuant to the Heritage Act 2017. Check the Victorian Heritage Database, selecting 'Heritage Victoria' as the place source.

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