
Noorat



Review of C* Grade Buildings
in the Former City of
Hawthorn

Location

534 Tooronga Road HAWTHORN, Boroondara City

Municipality

BOROONDARA CITY

Level of significance

Included in Heritage Overlay

Heritage Overlay Numbers

HO477

Heritage Listing

Boroondara City

Statement of Significance

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Noorat, 534 Tooronga Road, Hawthorn, is of historical and architectural significance at a local level. It is a fine and relatively early example of a Federation era villa influenced by the bungalow movement. Its siting on a comparatively large allotment with a generous garden setback is also reflective of desirable residential development in Hawthorn at the turn of the nineteenth century. Architecturally, *Noorat* represents an early fusion of the Federation villa, with its angled planning, return verandah and projecting bays, and the homestead

bungalow type more typical of the 1910s. *Noorat* is additionally distinguished by elements of early twentieth-century Colonial Revivalism, including the relatively simple verandah treatment; the use of applique half timbering over roughcast rendered walls above a brick plinth, is another distinguishing feature of the house.

Heritage Study/Consultant	Boroondara - Review of C* Grade Buildings in the Former City of Hawthorn, Lovell Chen Architects & Heritage Consultants, 2006; Boroondara - Hawthorn Heritage Study, Meredith Gould Conservation Architects, 1993;
Other Names	Noorat,
Hermes Number	14581
Property Number	

Physical Description 1

Noorat, at 534 Tooronga Road, Hawthorn, is a single-storey, double-fronted, asymmetrical Federation-era villa of a transitional style which incorporates elements of the Queen Anne and bungalow styles. The gabled hip roof is clad with Marseilles-pattern terracotta tiles and finished with terracotta ridge capping, finials and exposed rafters. The main roofline incorporates a return verandah beneath a flared bellcast form and is penetrated by corbelled red brick chimneys. The verandah is supported by carved verandah beams and rendered Tuscan order columns with a concrete floor. The house has a brick plinth with applique half timbering and roughcast rendered walls, all of which are overpainted. The verandah is truncated by a projecting bay on the south side of the west facade, which is further defined by a rectangular bay window and matching bay in the south side elevation. Fenestration is irregular and contains conventional timber-framed, double-hung sash windows. The main entrance is via an arched opening and contains a panelled timber door with multi-coloured leadlight surround.

The house is believed to be substantially externally intact and alterations appear to be confined to overpainting and rear additions, including additions undertaken in 1986, which are largely concealed from views from the street.^[i] The property is fronted by a non-original overpainted brick fence.

[i] Building Permit #1974, dated 2 May 1952 and #3909, dated 23 May 1986, details and drawing sourced from the City of Hawthorn Building Card Index.

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