

# SKELSMERGH HALL



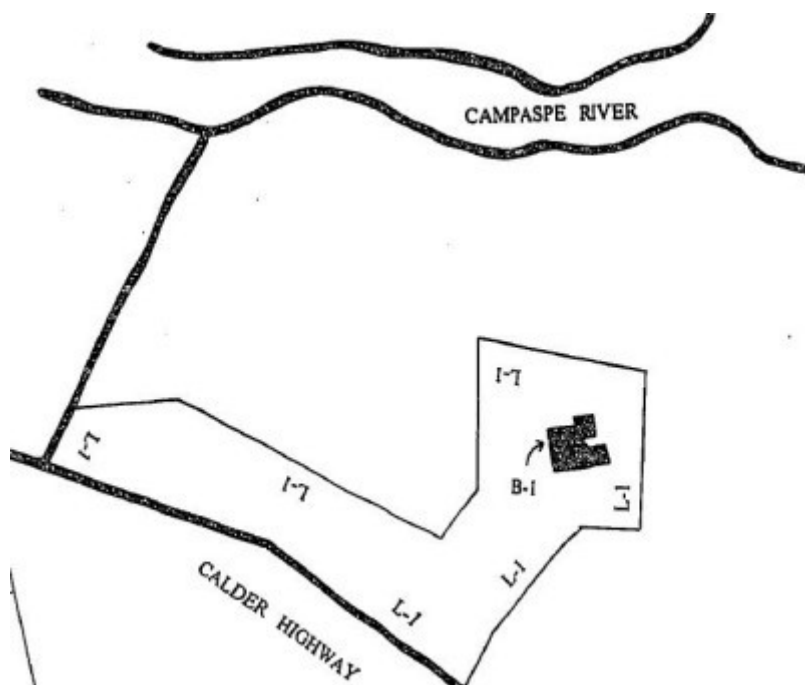
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1 montpellier flour mill house  
calder hwy carlsruhe side  
view



Montpellier Flour Mill House  
Calder Hwy Carlsruhe Front  
View



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## Location

688 COBB AND CO ROAD KYNETON, MACEDON RANGES SHIRE

## Municipality

MACEDON RANGES SHIRE

## Level of significance

Registered

## Victorian Heritage Register (VHR) Number

H1166

## Heritage Overlay Numbers

HO27

## VHR Registration

April 18, 1996

## Heritage Listing

Victorian Heritage Register

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## Statement of Significance

Last updated on - June 3, 1999

Skelsmergh Hall was built in 1859 for prominent pastoralist William Degraives as a summer residence. The building is a two-storey, ten-roomed bluestone dwelling and was constructed of Malmsbury stone; the main Italianate western elevation contains three hipped roof bays, whilst the north-east side is a simple hipped, two-storey wing. Degraives was also eminent in flour milling industries and Skelsmergh Hall was completed about the same time as the flour mill (VHR No 310) which is also located on the site.

Skelsmergh Hall is significant for historical and architectural reasons.

Skelsmergh Hall is historically significant as a rare example of a residence associated with a mill. The residence, together with the mill, demonstrates a particular way of life and lends interpretation to a process which has disappeared from Victoria's manufacturing industry.

[Source: Report to the Minister.]

## Permit Exemptions

### General Exemptions:

General exemptions apply to all places and objects included in the Victorian Heritage Register (VHR). General exemptions have been designed to allow everyday activities, maintenance and changes to your property, which don't harm its cultural heritage significance, to proceed without the need to obtain approvals under the Heritage Act 2017.

**Places of worship:** In some circumstances, you can alter a place of worship to accommodate religious practices without a permit, but you must [notify](#) the Executive Director of Heritage Victoria before you start the works or activities at least 20 business days before the works or activities are to commence.

**Subdivision/consolidation:** Permit exemptions exist for some subdivisions and consolidations. If the subdivision or consolidation is in accordance with a planning permit granted under Part 4 of the *Planning and Environment Act 1987* and the application for the planning permit was referred to the Executive Director of Heritage Victoria as a determining referral authority, a permit is not required.

Specific exemptions may also apply to your registered place or object. If applicable, these are listed below. Specific exemptions are tailored to the conservation and management needs of an individual registered place or object and set out works and activities that are exempt from the requirements of a permit. Specific exemptions prevail if they conflict with general exemptions.

Find out more about heritage permit exemptions [here](#).

Construction dates	1859,
Architect/Designer	White, FM,
Heritage Act Categories	Registered place,
Other Names	MONTPELLIER FLOUR MILL HOUSE,
Hermes Number	2822
Property Number	

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## History

Associated People: Owner WILLIAM DEGRAVES;  
Owner DR & MRS ROBIN ORR;

## Extent of Registration

### AMENDMENT OF REGISTER OF HISTORIC BUILDINGS

Historic Building No. 1166:

Skelsmergh Hall, (Formerly Montepellier Flour Mill House), Calder Highway, Carlsruhe, Shire of Macedon Ranges.

Extent:

To the extent of:

1. All of the building known as the Montepellier Flour Mill House, marked B-1 on Plan 603128 endorsed by the Chair, Historic Buildings Council and held by the Director, Historic Buildings Council.
  2. All of the land marked L-1 on Plan 603128 endorsed by the Chair, Historic Buildings Council and held by the Director, Historic Buildings Council being part of Certificate of Title Volume 10216 Folio 807.
- [Victoria Government Gazette No. G15 18 April 1996 p.957]

*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.*

*For further details about Heritage Overlay places, contact the relevant local council or go to Planning Schemes Online <http://planningschemes.dpcd.vic.gov.au/>*