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# CANNIBAL HILL OR MT. CANNIBAL



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## Location

off Garfield North Road GARFIELD NORTH, Cardinia Shire

## Municipality

CARDINIA SHIRE

## Level of significance

Included in Heritage Overlay

## Heritage Overlay Numbers

HO36

## Heritage Listing

Cardinia Shire

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## Statement of Significance

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Cannibal Hill or Mt. Cannibal is of significance to the Cardinia Shire because it has associations with early exploration and pioneering surveys of the Shire. Cannibal Hill and Cannibal Creek are shown as important land marks on early maps such as an 1861 map showing the Gippsland Road(surveyed in 1847) crossing the creek. The hill retains native forest along the skyline but has been cleared at the base.

Cannibal Hill is also locally significant as an expression of the work of Shire Engineer, Ron Chambers, and the community to protect natural landscape within the Shire.

## Regional Significance

Heritage Study/Consultant	Cardinia - Cardinia Shire Heritage Study 1996, Graeme Butler & Associates, 1996;
Other Names	off Garfield North Road, Garfield North,
Hermes Number	29986
Property Number	

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## Physical Description 1

This distinctive flat-top (granite) landform can be seen from much further east on the former Sale Road (Princes Highway) and has been shown on early survey maps as a landmark to guide travellers. Today the mountain or hill retains the gum forest at its top (silver-leaf stringybark, white stringybark, messmate and mountain grey gum) but has been cleared lower down where a large house is now sited. Rock outcrops add to the distinction of this landform.

## Physical Conditions

The hill retains the native forest along the skyline but has been cleared at its base. The remnant forest has been identified a site of Regional Botanical Significance<sup>1</sup>.

### Reference

<sup>1</sup> Sue Harris cites Opie et.al. 'Sites of Botanical Significance in the Westernport Region', 1984

## Historical Australian Themes

Theme - 2.3 Early district surveys

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