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# Kings Arcade



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## Location

974-978 High Street ARMADALE, STONNINGTON CITY

## Municipality

STONNINGTON CITY

## Level of significance

Included in Heritage Overlay

## Heritage Overlay Numbers

HO57

## Heritage Listing

Stonnington City

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## Statement of Significance

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King's Arcade is a notable building both externally in its facadal treatment and internally in its retention of the character of such a retail arcade. The arcade is strategically site to lead from the commercial area of High Street to Armadale Railway Station.

Heritage Study/Consultant	Stonnington - Prahran Conservation Study Identification of Buildings & Areas of Major Significance, Nigel Lewis & Associates, 1983; Stonnington - City of Stonnington - Heritage Precincts - Intact Shop Fronts Survey 2011, Context P/L, 2011;
Construction dates	1893,
Architect/Designer	Hardy, James W,
Other Names	974-976 High Street, Armadale,
Hermes Number	30606
Property Number	

## Physical Description 1

Erected in 1893, King's Arcade in Armadale is an intact shopping arcade with an extensive red brick facade to High Street. The identical flanking bays of this asymmetrical facade feature gable ends crowned with terracotta lions and incorporate pairs of rectangular windows with curved cement render surrounds and circular window above. One of the two inner bays of the facade features a balcony and supported hood while the other incorporates windows with slightly pointed heads. Rectangular balustrading at parapet level reveals a slate and two chimney pots. Profuse use of cement render detailing contrasts with the red face brickwork of the entire facade above the cantilevered bullnose veranda at street level. Internally, the arcade is lined with original shopfronts which feature leaded glass and tilework.

## Local Historical Themes

7.2 Creating specialised shopping centres

## Shopfront

Intact elements: No. 974: Timber frame with multicolour highlights, diagonal panelled door and side panel.  
 No. 976: Timber frame with multicolour highlights, diagonal panelled door and side panel.  
 No. 978: 1910s metal frame with leadlight highlight, salvaged diagonal panelled door.  
 2-10 Kings Arcade: Metal frame (Duff Shopfitters), obscure highlights (overpainted), glazed timber doors, leadlights to 6-10, blue tiled stallboard.  
 3-7 Kings Arcade: Metal frame (Duff Shopfitters), obscure highlights (overpainted), glazed timber doors, leadlights to 5-11, blue tiled stallboard, double doors to 7.

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