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# The Canterbury

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## Location

236 Canterbury Road,, ST KILDA VIC 3182 - Property No B7010

## Municipality

PORT PHILLIP CITY

## Level of significance

State

## Victorian Heritage Register (VHR) Number

H1836

## Heritage Listing

National Trust

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## Statement of Significance

Last updated on - October 29, 2007

The Canterbury, built in 1914 (extended 1919) and designed by prolific notable architects Tompkins & Tompkins, is of historic and architectural importance at State level.

The Canterbury is of historical importance as one of the earliest surviving examples of a block of flats in Victoria. It was the precursor of a new residential building type which was to become dominant in St Kilda, and is a marker of the beginnings of high density and elevated living in Melbourne.

The Canterbury is of architectural and aesthetic importance for its idiosyncratic and impressive design. A number of Art and Crafts influenced stylistic features are intergrated into abstracted and novel form, recognisably residential but also showing large city building features, especially the vertical emphasis, capped by a domed tower. It is a rare example of domestic/residential work by the Tompkin Brothers, who generally specialised in large comercial works.

Classified: 13/10/1999

Hermes Number 66456

Property Number

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