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# Taxus baccata 'Fastigiata'



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## Location

Aradale Hospital, Grano Street, ARARAT VIC 3377 - Property No T11276

## Municipality

ARARAT RURAL CITY

## Level of significance

State

## Heritage Listing

National Trust

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## Statement of Significance

Last updated on - August 31, 2023

### What is significant?

Outstanding example of species  
Contribution to the landscape

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any of the Hospitals for the Insane under the Department's care, which included Ararat, Beechworth, Ballarat and Yarra Bend.

This tree is significant at the State level for Social (contribution to landscape), Historic (Association with Institution) and Aesthetic (species/location) reasons.

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The tree is located north west from the entrance in the main courtyard

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Spread (m): 2.5

Girth (m): 1.5 at grd

Height (m): 7.5

Estimated Age (yrs): 80

Condition: Good

Measurements: 04/2011

Spread (m): 3.5

Girth (m): 2

Height (m): 9

Estimated Age (yrs): 87

Condition: Good

Measurements: 15/11/2022

Spread (m): 8.00 (EW), 5.00 (NS)

Girth (m): 1.77

Height (m): 8.25

Estimated Age (yrs): 100

Condition: Good. Structure: good to fair. Some pruning is possibly required to contain some lateral growths.

Access: Unrestricted

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