Cedrus atlantica 'glauca'





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Location

Corner of Hawker and Ritchie Streets CARAMUT, MOYNE SHIRE

Municipality

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Level of significance

Regional

Heritage Listing

National Trust

Statement of Significance

Last updated on - December 17, 2021

What is significant?

This Blue Atlas Cedar (*Cedrus atlantica 'glauca'*) sits on a rise above Mustons Creek, at the Caramut House ruins site (File no: B1102).

How is it significant?

This Blue Atlas Cedar is of historical and social significance at the Regional level.

Why is it significant?

This Blue Atlas Cedar is of historical significance as an early planting at Caramut House (demolished 1971), an expansive 19th century estate developed in the 1840s and owned by noted pastoralist H.F. de Little between 1850-1871. At its height, Caramut House Estate encompassed 8000 acres.

Caramut House was known for its significant garden and landscaping, and the bluestone ruins include evidence of the terraced garden extending down to the creek.

A 1909 article from the Pastoralists Review (Vol. 19, no. 3) noted the extensive mixed plantings of trees, a departure from typical stations at the time:

"The plantation is rather different from the rectangular type so common about station homes and runs. With pines and other imported trees indigenous varieties have been mixed, and the general outline of arrangement, with the timber stretching down on the one side to the water's edge, destroys any impression of artificial planning which otherwise might arise."

This Blue Atlas Cedar is of social significance for its contribution to the landscape of the site. It sits high on a rise above the creek and makes a notable contribution to the scenic ruins site. There are a number of mature oaks, pines and conifers on site, including a Bunya Pine (T12421).

Tree Measurements:

Condition: Good Tree Type: Individual Circumference: 3.13m

Height: 15.75m

Canopy spread: 19.5m Height method: Instrument

Circumference method: Tape Measure Date of measurement: 1 December 2019 Age of trees: 155 years (planted c1865)

Other Names Blue Atlas Cedar,

Hermes Number 208355

Property Number

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