# **WINTOC**



23399 Wintoc Glenthompson facade 1201



23399 Wintoc Glenthompson east corner 1199



23399 Wintoc Glenthompson east porch 1202



23399 Wintoc Glenthompson outbuildings 1197



23399 Wintoc Glenthompson stables 1198



23399 Wintoc Glenthompson west corner 1200

### Location

Glenelg Highway, GLENTHOMPSON VIC 3293 - Property No 0019

### Municipality

SOUTHERN GRAMPIANS SHIRE

### Level of significance

Stage 2 study complete

# **Heritage Listing**

Southern Grampians Shire

### **Statement of Significance**

Last updated on - January 15, 2004 What is significant?

Wintoc, a substantial American style bungalow, was built some 3.0kms west of Glenthompson in the 1930s for Donald Forbes. Arthur Thacker of Bilpah Hills and his wife Louisa had previously farmed the land. Forbes, the son of the manager of the squatting run, Cherry Mount, purchased Wintoc from Thacker in 1919. The house was built some time in the 1930s. The later partnership between Forbes and the master builder, Reg Williams, suggests that Williams may have built the house and possibly designed it. It is a conservative mixture of American fashions current at the time. The house retains an excellent degree of integrity and is in excellent condition. Forbes and Williams bought the Glenthompson brickworks in 1947, made immediate improvements and then floated the company. Forbes became managing director and the company flourished with the boom in construction after the Second World War. His son John James Forbes carried on farming at Wintoc, latterly in partnership with his own son, William James, until the sale of the property in 1996 to the Allen family, who reside and farm there today.

#### How is it significant?

Wintoc is of historical and architectural significance to the community of Glenthompson and to the Southern Grampians Shire.

#### Why is it significant?

Wintoo is of historical significance for its long associations with several important local families, including the Thacker and Forbes families, and architectural significance as one of the few examples of the Spanish Mission style in the study area and for the quality of its workmanship and interiors.

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Construction dates 1930,

Heritage Act Categories

Registered place,

Hermes Number 23399

**Property Number** 

### **Physical Conditions**

The house is in excellent condition

#### **Physical Description 1**

The residence known as Wintoc is constructed from rendered brick with a corrugated iron roof. The house is symmetrical about a triple arched porch but the front door is off-centre. The style is long and low in the bungalow form with subdued references to the Spanish Mission style in the three arches although the interiors also suggest an Art Deco influence. The residence includes six bedrooms, and has fibrous plaster ceilings typical of the period. The doors are glazed with an Art Deco cut and textured glass typical of the period. A meathouse, dairy and shed exist to the rear of the residence. Stables are nearby.

#### **Historical Australian Themes**

Theme 3 Developing local, regional and national economies 3.5 Developing primary production 3.5.1 Grazing stock

Theme 5 5.8 Working on the land

Theme 8 Developing Australia's cultural life 8.14 Living in the country and rural settlements

# **Usage/Former Usage**

Homestead

# Integrity

Excellent degree of integrity

### **Physical Description 2**

George Bell, grazier, first owner Thacker family, subsequent owners Forbes family, subsequent owners

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