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# Cape Sir William Grant

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## Location

PORTLAND VIC 3305 - Property No L10145

## Municipality

GLENELG SHIRE

## Level of significance

Regional

## Heritage Listing

National Trust

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## Statement of Significance

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Cape Grant is actually the remnant of a once large volcanic crater occupying Nelson Bay.

The rugged cliff faces defining the Cape are visually spectacular and contrast dramatically with the rolling character of the rural hinterland. Stunted and distinctive vegetation covers this area and contains many habitats for rare and endemic fauna, particularly bird life.

The Cape is strategically positioned in relation to Portland and the increasing recreational pressure from here. It acts as an excellent sight-seeing point and provides the viewer with vistas over undulating sand-dune country interrupted by exposed basalt outcrops, rock stacks and platforms.

Historically, Cape Grant is connected with native activity prior to the coming of sealing and whaling operations. It is the site of the landing of Captain Dutton, Portland and Victoria's first permanent settler and, significantly, the only historic site to remain as originally found.

### LOCATION:

Small promontory between Point Danger and Cape Nelson, Portland.

Hermes Number 70395

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