

# PITTARD RESIDENCE, 430 MOUNT PLEASANT ROAD, RESEARCH



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## Location

430 MOUNT PLEASANT ROAD RESEARCH, NILLUMBIK SHIRE

## Municipality

NILLUMBIK SHIRE

## Level of significance

Included in Heritage Overlay

## Heritage Overlay Numbers

HO139

## Heritage Listing

## Statement of Significance

Last updated on - June 1, 1992

REVISED STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE, CONTEXT, 2010

### What is Significant?

The 1978-79 adobe house and the surrounding site to the title boundaries.

### How is it Significant?

The house is architecturally and historically significant to the Shire of Nillumbik

### Why is it Significant?

The house is architecturally and historically significant because it was designed by the prominent 'Eltham-style' architect, Alistair Knox, and is an important and particularly innovative example of Knox's later work (Criteria H & F). Like many Eltham-style buildings, the house features the use of mud brick and recycled materials (Criterion D).

### BICK STUDY, 1992

The Pittard residence is one of the most innovative adobe dwellings constructed in the four decades following the Second World War period and an important late work of Alistair Knox, their leading designer. These buildings characterised the Shire of Eltham during that period and with Montsalvat are the reason for Eltham being widely known in the general community. The curved plan shape and single plane roof rising up over the living area to the double storey end section are of particular note. The Pittard residence is also an excellent example of the owners being involved in the construction of their dwelling.

BASIS OF SIGNIFICANCE:

ILLUSTRATION OF THE THEMES

HISTORY

ARCHITECTURE

DEGREE OF SIGNIFICANCE: LOCAL SIGNIFICANCE

EXTENT OF SIGNIFICANCE: ENTIRE BUILDING AND SITE

Heritage Study/Consultant Nillumbik - Shire of Eltham Heritage Study, David Bick, 1992;

Construction dates 1978,

Architect/Designer Knox, Alistair,

Other Names 430 MOUNT PLEASANT ROAD, RESEARCH,

Hermes Number 104385

Property Number

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## Historical Australian Themes

DISTINCTIVE ELTHAM BUILDING STYLES

PROMINENT RESIDENTS

EMERGENCE OF AN ELTHAM LIFESTYLE

3.14.2 Using Australian materials in construction

8.10.4 Designing and building fine buildings

8.12 Living in and around Australian homes

## **Physical Description 1**

Style Eltham style

Design unique.

Plan curved.

Single and double storied.

Walls timber framed, adobe (solid mud brick). Roof single plane, clad in overlapping sections of metal sheeting.

Features are the curved building form and the roof which rises up to the double storey end. The living room ceiling follows the rake of the roof.

## **Usage/Former Usage**

Original and Continuing Use: Residence

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