
Appledore Garden



Appledore garden, 45 Devon Street



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Location

45 Devon Street EAGLEMONT, BANYULE CITY

Municipality

BANYULE CITY

Level of significance

Included in Heritage Overlay

Heritage Overlay Numbers

HO130

Heritage Listing

Banyule City

Statement of Significance

Last updated on - February 10, 2010

What is significant?

Appledore garden at 45 Devon Street, Eaglemont designed in 1936 for Millie Gibson is of local significance.

How is it significant?

Appledore garden is of local historical and aesthetic significance to the City of Banyule.

Why is it significant?

Appledore garden is of historic significance as a creation of the pre-eminent garden designer Edna Walling, who designed Appledore for her contemporary, Burnley graduate Millie Gibson, in 1936. Walling is widely regarded as the finest garden designer in Victoria working in the middle half of this century. (Criterion H)

Appledore retains distinctive Edna Walling planting including the signature *E.Citriodora*, Silver Birch (*Betula pendula*), Cherry and Crab Apples (*Prunus* sp.& *Malus* sp). and Hawthorn (*Crataegus* sp.) together with massed plantings of shrubs along the driveway. The stone pillar at the driveway entrance is also a distinctive Walling feature. (Criterion E)

Appledore has further historical significance for the role local landscape designer Ellis Stones played in the subdivision of the site in 1957. (Criterion A). Though somewhat changed the garden contains a number of features typical of Walling designs.

Heritage Study/Consultant	Banyule - Banyule Heritage Review, Context P/L, 2009; Banyule - Banyule Heritage Study, Allum Lovell & Associates, 1999;
Hermes Number	123990
Property Number	

Physical Description 1

The garden at 45 Devon Street has been subdivided as a "battleaxe" allotment. It retains a small frontage to the street and a narrow driveway before occupying the full width of the site at the rear. This has resulted in a loss of some of the garden. However the frontage that remains is quite distinctively a Walling garden with the thick planting of shrubs and the dominant smooth barked eucalypt (*E.Citriodora*) as a marker to the driveway. A small stone pillar with the name 'Appledore' attached, is at the street line and is a distinctive Walling feature.

The garden features a terrace to the north of the house and extensive use of random rock paving, both integral features of Walling's work. These include Silver Birch (*Betula pendula*), a number of flowering Cherry and Crab Apples (*Prunus* sp. & *Malus* sp.) and Hawthorn (*Crataegus* sp.). The large Bhutan Cypress (*Cypress Torulosa*) to the west of the garden appear to pre-date the Walling garden. The driveway is of a meandering design and is thickly planted with layers of shrubs and some taller trees.

Walling also designed a garden at 40 Carlsberg Road (HO123) for Blanche Marshall. This garden is contiguous with 45 Devon Street which is situated immediately at the rear.

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