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## Location

River Bend Historical Park, Heaths Road,, WERRIBEE VIC 3030 - Property No T12158

## Municipality

WYNDHAM CITY

## Level of significance

State

## Heritage Listing

National Trust

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## Statement of Significance

Last updated on -

Contribution to lansdcape of historic park, Important landmark  
Rare or localised

Outstanding size  
Aesthetic value  
Historical value  
Outstanding example of species

This Mediterranean Stone Pine (*Pinus pinea*) makes a significant aesthetic contribution to the immediate landscape. The broad mushroom shaped canopy supported by giant out-stretched limbs on one solitary trunk makes this specimen unique. Such characteristics are not typical for the species. Most specimens have a trunk which is divided near the base into two to four.

This tree is located on the bank of the Werribee River at what is now known as River Bend Historical Park, and is the sole surviving nineteenth century historical landmark which demarcates the most south-western corner and boundary of the former Werribee Irrigation Colony (1889 - 1894). This late nineteenth century irrigation colony was pioneered by the famous co-founders of the Mildura (Vic) and Renmark (SA) Irrigation Districts: George Chaffey (1848 - 1932) and William Benjamin Chaffey (1856 - 1926). The tree was selected and planted circa 1890 by George Chaffey for the 25 metre wide 'Picnic Reserve'.

The tree is located on the bank of the Werribee River downstream from the Southern Water Diversion Weir at River Bend Historical Park..

Measurements: 25/07/2011  
Spread (m): E-W 29; N-S 27  
Girth(m): 4.2  
Height (m): 17.5  
Estimated Age (yrs): 120+  
Condition: Excellent

Access: Unrestricted  
Classified: 05/12/2011

Other Names      Stone Pine, Umbrella Pine, Mediterranean Stone Pine, Italian Pine,

Hermes Number   183719

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