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Location

Werribee Park Mansion, 320 K Road,, WERRIBEE VIC 3030 - Property No T12171

Municipality

WYNDHAM CITY

Level of significance

Regional

Heritage Listing

National Trust

Statement of Significance

Last updated on - March 2, 2023

What is significant?

Contribution to landscape of historic park Outstanding size Aesthetic significance Historic value Outstanding example of species

This Aleppo Pine (*Pinus halepensis*) located north-west of the ornamental lake at Werribee Park Mansion garden represents one of the three species of pine planted in the mansion garden and throughout the property. The specimen was selected and planted circa 1877 by the gardeners employed by Thomas Chirnside at Werribee Park. It typifies the botanical material available in the nineteenth century and pine species were commonly used in the layout of botanic gardens, large private estates and arboretums alike. Its use highlights a historic planting style for large gardens and estates. Planted north-west of the ornamental lake and across the expanse of the Great Lawn in front of the mansion its function was not only ornamental, but a windbreak, a screen for privacy and as a landmark in the distance of the European essence of the garden.

The Chirnside Family's contribution to Victoria's pastoral and agricultural growth is notable as leaders and pioneers of the colony's pastoral industry. Their vast land holdings in Victoria, New South Wales, South Australia and Queensland made them one of the wealthiest families in the colony. The grandeur of their influence and wealth is reflected in their opulent Roman Renaissance Revival style mansion at Werribee Park and is stately garden.

This specimen has developed on a tall leader trunk and spreads its vast canopy outwards. It is typical of the type of foliage and architectural form that nineteenth century garden enthusiasts with large rural estates collected and introduced to give their new homeland a 'European essence' and feel.

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Girth (m): 3.5 at 1.4 above ground level

Height (m): 29.8

Estimated Age (yrs): 135 Condition: Excellent

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Other Names Aleppo Pine,

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