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# Alexander Miller Memorial Homes



324-332 Ryrie Street

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## Location

324-332 Ryrie Street, GEELONG VIC 3220- PROPERTY NUMBERS 217744, 365800, 365801, 365802, 365803-03

## Municipality

GREATER GEELONG CITY

## Level of significance

Registered

## Victorian Heritage Register (VHR) Number

H1184

## Heritage Overlay Numbers

HO1639

HO1134

## Heritage Listing

Greater Geelong City

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## Statement of Significance

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## Significant

### A Listed - State Significance

Historically, the most significant remaining element from a major hospital building programme which is still an effective evocation of the former complex and hence a reminder of the large contribution made by Geelong citizens towards its construction. Architecturally, representative of one of the few large hospital complexes built in this era and, stylistically advanced in its use of an American-bred continental style, which was to achieve suburban popularity some five years later.

Heritage Study/Consultant	Greater Geelong - Geelong Region Historic Buildings and Objects Study Volume 2, Allan Willingham, 1986; Greater Geelong - Geelong City Urban Conservation Study, Volumes 2-5, Graeme Butler, 1991; Greater Geelong - Geelong City Urban Conservation Study Volume 1, Graeme Butler, 1993; Greater Geelong - Geelong City Urban Conservation Study, Volume 4(a), Helen Lardner, 1995; Geelong City Fringe Heritage Area Review, RBA Architects + Conservation Consultants, 2018;
Heritage Act Categories	Registered place,
Hermes Number	20616
Property Number	

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## Physical Description 1

Differing from the Bungalow style and pavilion form of the later complexes, this red brick and stucco building occupies a prominent triangular corner site. Underscoring this fact, the Edwardian Freestyle design features a slender tower after the precedent of other benevolent complexes such as the Haimes Memorial Homes in McKillop Street. The free treatment and ornament have led some to believe that this was another Robert Haddon design consultancy to Laird & Buchan.

## Physical Description 2

Unusual & intact row houses with *Art Nouveau* detailing. Red brick & render, gable roof clad in corrugated metal sheeting, prominent central tower, exposed rafter ends, shingles & decorative brackets to gable ends, brick verandah with tiled deck, basalt edge & foliate brackets. Timber boxed frame sash windows with brackets beneath, original timber doors with glazed top panel & highlight, rendered chimneys with terracotta pots.

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