
Acer davidii subsp. grosseri

Location

816 Mount Macedon Rd Mount Macedon, MACEDON RANGES SHIRE

Municipality

MACEDON RANGES SHIRE

Level of significance

State

Heritage Listing

National Trust

Statement of Significance

Last updated on - January 1, 1900

What is significant?

This Snake Bark Maple is located in Forest Glade Gardens, Mount Macedon. It is one of two Snake Bark Maples on the property.

How is it significant?

This Snake Bark Maple is significant for scientific and aesthetic reasons at the State level.

Why is it significant?

The Snake Bark Maple is an unusual species, rarely cultivated in Victoria and noteworthy for its large finger-shaped leaves. This tree is a particularly large example of the species, and along with one smaller tree on the same property (T12412), they are the only examples of Snake Bark Maple currently in or nominated to the Significant Tree Register.

The tree grows in Forest Glade Gardens, a 14 acre garden in Mount Macedon. The Newton family purchased the land in 1941, then comprised of orchards and paddocks, and set about creating the gardens. In 1971 Forest Glade was acquired by Cyril Stokes. The gardens were developed significantly in the 1970s, but the Ash Wednesday bushfires of 1983 decimated much of the site. Post-fire, the owners embarked on a large planting program across the property, developing the gardens into a noteworthy collection of cool climate plants.

Measurements: 31/05/2019

Spread (m): 11

Girth (m): 1.77

Height (m): 12.5

Estimated age (yrs): 35

Condition: Good

Access: Restricted

Classified: 02/07/2020

Other Names Snake Bark Maple, T12411,

Hermes Number 206384

Property Number

This place/object may be included in the Victorian Heritage Register pursuant to the Heritage Act 2017. Check the Victorian Heritage Database, selecting 'Heritage Victoria' as the place source.

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