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## Building and Mulberry Tree (*Morus nigra*)



House at 79-81 Simpson Rd,  
Eaglehawk

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### Location

79-81 Simpsons Road, EAGLEHAWK VIC 3556 - Property No 186237

### Municipality

GREATER BENDIGO CITY

### Level of significance

Included in Heritage Overlay

### Heritage Overlay Numbers

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### Heritage Listing

Greater Bendigo City

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### Statement of Significance

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Architecturally, the house stands out from others in the area because of its larger size, period detailing and face brick construction although it is typical only, on a regional or State basis.

Historically, the house presumably expresses well its first owner's trade and the success perhaps which he found in it. It may also be linked with the stone reserve which once occupied the site.

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| Heritage Study/Consultant | Greater Bendigo - Eaglehawk & Bendigo Heritage Study, Graeme Butler & Associates, 1993; |
| Construction dates        | 1898,   |
| Hermes Number             | 34400   |
| Property Number           |   |

## Physical Description 1

Built in two-colour brickwork (some tuck-pointed), this house is asymmetrically planned with projecting room bays on the south and west elevations, one gabled, the other hipped. The gable front bay is its most distinctive element, with its finial and dentillation still complete. Other unusual details are the dog toothing under window sills and the vermiculated blocks and panels set into each sill fascia. The oculus set in the gable is also vermiculated and surrounded by radial voussoirs in cream and red. The verandah roof has a bull nose profile, typical of the late 19th and early 20th century, but the timber posts are square-section (chamfered) with capitals, a pattern more typical of the late 19th century. The cast-iron integral frieze and bracket patterns was also popular in that era. Windows are paired, but retain the Victorian era double-hung sashes. There are some indications of the previous garden, but much of today s landscape is recent.

## Integrity

External - Extensive additions have been made at the rear.

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