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# Smith Orchard House



Smith Orchard House 125  
Cherry Tree Road  
Hurstbridge Colour 1 - Shire  
of Eltham Heritage Study  
1992



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Hurstbridge Colour 2 - Shire  
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Hurstbridge Colour 3 - Shire  
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## Location

125 Cherry Tree Road HURSTBRIDGE, NILLUMBIK SHIRE

## Municipality

NILLUMBIK SHIRE

## Level of significance

Included in Heritage Overlay

## Heritage Overlay Numbers

HO182

## Heritage Listing

## Statement of Significance

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### ELTHAM STUDY STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE:

The two mature Canary Island palm trees are good specimens of a very fashionable tree during the first decades of the 20th century and are also significant streetscape elements. The weatherboard house is of standard design and one of the very few dwellings of this type anywhere in the rural areas of the Shire of Eltham. The number of pre 1930 dwellings in the Shire is also quite small and most of them are cottages, smaller and more basic in size and design. REVISED STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE (with AHC criteria) Smith Orchard house, with CANARY ISLAND PALMS (2) are significant to the HURSTBRIDGE locality as:

- two mature and well formed Canary Island palms, being a fashionable tree in the first decades of the 20th century but relatively rare in the Shire (Criterion A4, B2);
- significant mature trees in the general landscape (Criterion A3);
- a relatively well preserved example of an inter-war orchardist's house of a conservative design but one of a small group of dwellings of this type in the rural areas of the former Shire of Eltham and larger than the most pre 1930 dwellings which are typically smaller and of a more simple design ( Criterion B2);
- a house and its landscape setting long associated with the pioneering Smith family (Criterion H1).

Heritage Study/Consultant	Nillumbik - Nillumbik Shire Heritage Study 2001, Graeme Butler & Assoc, 2001;
Hermes Number	64104
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## Physical Description 1

### ELTHAM STUDY DESCRIPTON:

Style Victorian/Edwardian.

Design standard.

Plan rectangular.

Single storeyed.

Walls timber stud construction, weatherboard clad.

Roof hipped with eaves, corrugated iron clad.

Features are the standard design house.

## **REVISED OREXTENDED DESCRIPTON:**

The house is a conservative weatherboard M-hipped roof house design, with a return skillion form timber verandah. The fretted verandah brackets and general design are typical of the Edwardian-era.

Two mature Canary Island palms are placed symmetrically about the line of the front door.

## **Integrity**

substantially intact - some intrusions - the verandah has been enclosed and possibly rebuilt, the windows have been enlarged and additions made to the rear

## **Physical Conditions**

good (partially disturbed, well preserved)

## **Historical Australian Themes**

PRIVATE PLANTING, FARMING

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