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# Monterey cypress drive & planting (mature conifers and palms), Lambert House



Monterey Cypress Drive  
Lambert House Colour - Shire  
of Eltham Heritage Study  
1992



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Lambert House

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## Location

5 MERUKA DRIVE ELTHAM, NILLUMBIK SHIRE

## Municipality

NILLUMBIK SHIRE

## Level of significance

Included in Heritage Overlay

## Heritage Overlay Numbers

HO232

## Heritage Listing

Nillumbik Shire

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## Statement of Significance

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ELTHAM STUDY STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE:

This place includes trees of significant size that have cultural landscape value as an intact continuous driveway avenue that follows the topography in an unusual way. This driveway is rare on a Shire-wide basis for both its design and planting.

#### REVISED STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE (with AHC criteria) 2001

MONTEREY CYPRESS DRIVE & PLANTING (mature conifers, palms) at the Lambert house site are significant to Eltham:

- for the mature exotic trees of significant size which make up the former house garden, rare within the Shire for both the design and planting composition ( Criterion B2);
- for the cultural landscape value of the intact continuous driveway avenue that follows the topography in an unusual way and indicate the former rural land use, now rare on a Shire-wide basis ( Criterion A4,B2)

Heritage Study/Consultant	Nillumbik - Nillumbik Shire Heritage Study 2001, Graeme Butler & Assoc, 2001;
Hermes Number	64206
Property Number	

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## Physical Description 1

### ELTHAM STUDY DESCRIPTON:

Driveway avenue of approximately 28 closely spaced trees which winds, up a steep slope to the Child Care Centre. Some trees are particularly large with trunk diameters of up to 1,000 mm whilst other trees have been overshadowed to a significant degree and are spindly and in poor condition. There is also other exotic planting on the site, not individually identified.

### REVISED OR EXTENDED DESCRIPTON:

There are 43 Monterey cypress on the drive (20, '23), planted as an avenue and probably from the inter-war period. '

At the former house site (now child care centre) there are many mature exotic trees including;

- 2 'Cupress ustorulosa';
- 1'Gedrus deodara';
- 2 'Cupressus sp.'
- 1 'Phoenix canariensis';
- 1'Trachycarpus fortuneii'.

## Physical Conditions

Gener-ally good (partially disturbed, well preserved)

## Integrity

Substantially intact/some intrusions

## **Historical Australian Themes**

PRIVATE PLANTING, FARMING?

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