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## Mccrae Homestead



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### Location

6 - 8 Charles Street and 11 Beverley Street MCCRAE, MORNINGTON PENINSULA SHIRE

### Municipality

MORNINGTON PENINSULA SHIRE

### Level of significance

State

### Victorian Heritage Register (VHR) Number

H0291

### Heritage Listing

National Trust

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### Statement of Significance

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McCrae Homestead, 8 Charles Street, McCrae, was built by lawyer-pastoralist Andrew McCrae and his wife Georgiana, the noted diarist, from 1844 onwards. A hipped shingle roof covers the two symmetrically placed main rooms, constructed of timber drop slab walls with twenty pane windows and brick chimneys, whilst a lean-to extension projects to the rear.

The verandah and its end rooms are later additions. There is a detached kitchen to the rear. McCrae Homestead is an important example of an early homestead in Victoria. The building is one of the oldest surviving in the state

and it and the life of its first occupants are uniquely recorded in the journals of Georgiana McCrae. The use of drop slab construction with a shingle roof was common at the time, but surviving examples are few. The layout and reconstruction of the detached kitchen, using lashed unsawn tree trunks, is of note.

McCrae Homestead was extensively restored during the 1960s and early 1970s, Georgiana McCrae's journal, plans and sketches being used as the basis of the restoration. The homestead, now on a suburban allotment, is a museum house.

(Adapted from the Register of the National Estate citation)

Classified: State:08/05/1973

Hermes Number 66201

Property Number

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