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## South Channel Fort



B2165 Observation Posts on East Side



B2165 Former Living Quarters now Stores



B2165 Corridor Linking Gunposts with Observation Points



B2165 South Channel Fort Fire Control on Left



B2165 South Channel Fort

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### Location

South Channel Island, Port Phillip Bay, VIC - Property No B2165

### Municipality

UNINCORPORATED

### Level of significance

State

### Victorian Heritage Register (VHR) Number

H1502

### Heritage Listing

National Trust

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## Statement of Significance

Last updated on - August 27, 2007

This man-made island was built for defence purposes in 1879-80 on a sandbank with bluestone rubble shoring. The fortifications include concrete and redgum dugout bunkers, underground tunnels and gun emplacements. The island is also important as one of only two breeding areas in Victoria of the white-faced Storm Petrel (*Pelagodroma marina*). A small population of Little Penguins can also be found on the island. The sandy soil supports good growths of several species of shrub flora. The island is historically important as well as of significance as a petrel breeding ground.

Classified: 30/10/1986

Hermes Number 66365

Property Number

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