
Wyalla

Location

13A Monaro Road,, KOOYONG VIC 3144 - Property No B6324

Municipality

STONNINGTON CITY

Level of significance

National

Victorian Heritage Register (VHR) Number

H0953

Heritage Listing

National Trust

Statement of Significance

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Designed By Butler & Bradshaw in 1908 for mining engineer Franz Wallach, Wyalla is of National significance. Also known as Thanos, it is a picturesque example of the Arts and Crafts Freestyle, inspired by the Elizabethan period and popularised in turn of the century England by architects such as R N Shaw and W Lethaby. It is one of the most distinctive examples of Arts and Crafts architecture in Melbourne and there are no known buildings bearing close comparison in Victoria. It is of particular note for its internal planning and detailing which are representative of Arts & Crafts concepts and expressive of progressive contemporary Australian design. Wyalla's significance is further enhanced by the integrity of the original design and finishes (apart from the loss of the kitchen wing) and the special character provided by the internal decor and contents as well as the remaining garden layout and mature trees.

Wyalla's significance is heightened by its association with Walter Butler who is recognized as one of the most influential and successful domestic architects in Victoria at this time. His early experience with leading Arts and Crafts architects in England provides a distinct link with the international Arts and Crafts movement, and his continuing interest in English architecture is clearly demonstrated by this building.

Classified: 13/05/1992

Other Names Thanos,

Hermes Number 66731

Property Number

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