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## West Cloven Hills



B1138 West Cloven Hills  
Darlington

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### Location

DARLINGTON VIC 3271 - Property No B1138

### Municipality

CORANGAMITE SHIRE

### Level of significance

Local

### Heritage Listing

National Trust

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### Statement of Significance

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The historic pastoral property "West Cloven Hills" was established in 1842 following division of a larger run earlier leased in 1837 by pioneer settlers Peter McArthur and Nicholas Cole. Cole built the present Colonial Georgian style homestead of locally quarried basalt with attic dormers, prominent stone gables, and encircling timber verandah prior to 1851 on a site under the slopes of Mount Koang, a Western District landmark.

"West Cloven Hills" pastoral lease was established in 1842 by resolute Victorian pioneer Nicholas Cole and the surviving stone homestead is reportedly the oldest in the central Western District. The property is one of few pastoral properties in Victoria still in the possession of descendants of the original pioneer settlers. "West Cloven Hills" is an outstanding and intact illustration of the early Western District homestead style, and of national importance to Australia's architectural heritage.

Although "West Cloven Hills" has been vacant for many years, the property is reasonably maintained and in

sound condition. Of national significance.

Classified: 09/06/1960

Classified: Local: 03/08/1998

Hermes Number 67784

Property Number

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