# **London Tavern**



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## Location

43 Camp Street,, BEECHWORTH VIC 3747 - Property No B2501

#### **Municipality**

INDIGO SHIRE

#### Level of significance

Regional

## Victorian Heritage Register (VHR) Number

H0350

## **Heritage Listing**

National Trust

Statement of Significance

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The first brick hotel in the historic gold-field town of Beechworth, the London Tavern was built in stages, 1859-64 for Richard Soulby. Notable for the harmony of posted verandahs, french windows, shuttered bar windows, and open court-yard centred by a unique bath-house and flanked by walls of warmly textured orange coloured brick. Classified: 23/03/1972

The hotel is part of the Beechworth Historic Area (Classified April 1983)

Beechworth is a picturesque nineteenth century provincial town, which was the administrative and commercial centre of Victoria's north-eastern goldfields. Beechworth was also once significant for its position on an early overland route from Melbourne to Sydney.

The town is located in an area of considerable landscape interest. Set amidst forested undulating country, there remain many relics of the mining era in and about Beechworh. It is a rich field for the industrial archaelogy. There are, within the town, a large number of historical and architecturally significant buildings. These display a quality of form and richness of material and detail. Of particular interest is the common use of local granite in construction. Its honey colour imparts a quality distinctive to Beechworth.

The highlights of Beechworth are the grid of wide streets flanked with granite kerbing; the streetscapes of considerable integrity with groups of homogeneous buildings set off by mature elms and other exotic trees; and the remnants of historic Victorian gardens. About the town there are many examples of nineteenth century street furniture, signs and fences. Beechworth's historical wealth is of national significance.

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