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## Rail Bridge over Coliban River



B1288 Railway Bridge  
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B1288 Malmsbury viaduct  
2011



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detail

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### Location

Ellesmere Place (off), MALMSBURY VIC 3446 - Property No B1288

### Municipality

MACEDON RANGES SHIRE

### Level of significance

State

### Victorian Heritage Register (VHR) Number

H1434

### Heritage Listing

National Trust

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## Statement of Significance

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Railway Viaduct, Malmsbury, is an enormous bluestone structure erected in 1859 to carry the Melbourne-Sandhurst (Bendigo) Railway over the Coliban River. The total length of the structure is 500 feet and the bridge itself is composed of five arched spans each of 60 feet. The bridge is faced with rusticated masonry and the voussoirs and impost mouldings, string course and the huge cutwaters are features.

The viaduct is one of the largest nineteenth century engineering structures erected in Victoria. The bridge exemplifies the massive scale of the nineteenth century railway undertakings, particularly on this line and is representative of bridge building techniques now lost. The viaduct is a major element in the surrounding landscape. Designed according to classically derived engineering structures practice, the bridge is typical in its detailing.

The site is intact and is in good condition.

See also File Number B5323 Melbourne to Echuca Railway Line.

Other Names      Rail viaduct,

Hermes Number    68839

Property Number

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