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## The Gums



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### Location

Woolsthorpe Road off Hamilton Highway,, PENSHURST VIC 3289 - Property No B0798

### Municipality

SOUTHERN GRAMPIANS SHIRE

### Level of significance

Local

### Heritage Listing

National Trust

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### Statement of Significance

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The Gums pastoral station was taken up by the Burchett Bros. in 1839.

In 1876, pioneer Scots born pastoralist William Ross engaged architect Joseph Reed to design a new two storey stucco faced Italianate style mansion on a site half a mile distant from the original homestead. The axially arranged mansion is dominated by an imposing pedimented and arcuated entrance portico and wide encircling iron verandahs.

The Gums station is one of the oldest properties in Western Victoria, being established in 1839. William Ross, who was largely responsible for development of the station, is an important mid Victorian era public figure having served on the Mount Rouse Shire Council for 15 years and President in 1870 as well as the elected representative of the Western Province in the Victorian Legislative Council 1878-1888. The homestead is a distinctive and conservative Italianate design by celebrated Victorian architect Joseph Reed. The Gums homestead is well maintained and near intact condition.

Classified: 07/11/1965

Hermes Number 69715

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