
Treasury Gardens



G13007 Treasury Gardens

Location

Treasury Place, Lansdowne Street, EAST MELBOURNE VIC 3002 - Property No G13007

Municipality

MELBOURNE CITY

Level of significance

State

Victorian Heritage Register (VHR) Number

H1887

Heritage Listing

National Trust

Statement of Significance

Last updated on - January 12, 2005

Treasury Gardens, part of land selected for government buildings in 1851, developed to the design of Clement Hodgkinson from 1867, enhanced at the turn of the century by the creation of a Japanese garden to the design of William Guilfoyle and subsequently developed as a major city park, is of State significance:

- historically, as one of Melbourne's major city parks; the site forms part of a network of parks developed from the mid nineteenth century, including Fitzroy Gardens, Carlton Gardens, Flagstaff Gardens and the Domain;
- as an integral component in a precinct principally comprised of government buildings and reserves of

outstanding cultural significance; the gardens form an appropriate setting for the nineteenth century buildings along Treasury Place;

- for the retention of planting from the period 1860s-1929, including avenue plantings and specimen trees;
- for the retention of a River Red Gum, a remnant of the indigenous vegetation of the site, one of very few remaining in the central area of Melbourne;
- for the retention of layout and landscape design from 1867, elements from this date include much of the path system, avenue plantings and the siting of the lake;
- for the retention of structures and works from the period 1860s-1930s, including the embankment along Treasury Place, the Clarke statue and the public conveniences;
- for the involvement of several leading Victorian landscape designers, including Clement Hodgkinson and William Guilfoyle;
- for the manner in which the garden complements the neighbouring Fitzroy Gardens and allows long vistas across Lansdowne Street;
- socially, for its close link with Melbourne's central business district and usage associated with popular festivals.

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