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Location

Royal Botanic Gardens, Birdwood Avenue, MELBOURNE VIC 3004 - Property No T11873

Municipality

MELBOURNE CITY

Level of significance

State

Heritage Listing

National Trust

Statement of Significance

Last updated on - September 29, 2005

Horticultural value

One of several cuttings given to the Royal Botanic Gardens by Miss Myrtle Elvins from a chance hybrid which first appeared as a seedling in the Elvins' garden in Linda Crescent, Hawthorn, in 1926. The tree is believed to be a cross between Prunus cerasifera, Cherry Plum, and Prunus salicina, Japanese Plum. It is most attractive in Spring as it flowers prolifically.

The hybrid was brought into the nursery trade by Mr R. Sparks of Sparks and McAlpine's Nursery, Box Hill, in the 1950s. It is now widespread through Melbourne.

Measurements: 06/2003 Spread (m): 4 Girth (m): 5 Height (m): 2.5 Estimated Age (yrs): 77 Condition: Good

Access: Unrestricted Classified: 13/05/1982.

Other Names Ornamental Cherry Plum,

Hermes Number 71379

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