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# Jubaea chilensis



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## Location

Royal Botanic Gardens, Birdwood Avenue, MELBOURNE VIC 3004 - Property No T11909

## Municipality

MELBOURNE CITY

## Level of significance

Regional

## Heritage Listing

National Trust

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## Statement of Significance

Last updated on - June 30, 2004

Contribution to the historic garden  
Outstanding example of species

Although described somewhat disdainfully by Charles Darwin as a 'very ugly tree', many consider the *Jubaea chilensis* to be one of the most impressive palms in the world. The lifespan of this species is not known but there are reports of large specimens in Chile living for several hundred years. Historically, the Chilean wine palm was extremely abundant, but several centuries of destructive over-harvesting for the collection of sap have reduced it to just a few significant populations. The remaining populations of the Chilean wine palm are mainly restricted to protected areas.

Measurements: 12/03/1991  
Spread (m): 7.5  
Girth (m): 3.07  
Height (m): 13.8  
Estimated Age (yrs): 100  
Condition: Good

Access: Unrestricted  
Classified: 09/05/1991

Other Names      Chilean Wine Palm,

Hermes Number    71415

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