
'CHINESE' GARDENS

Location

OFF TWENTIETH STREET HEPBURN SPRINGS, HEPBURN SHIRE

Municipality

HEPBURN SHIRE

Level of significance

Heritage Inventory Site

Heritage Inventory (HI) Number

H7723-0694

Heritage Listing

Victorian Heritage Inventory

Hermes Number 8296

Property Number

History

Heritage Inventory History of Site: Alluvial mining along creek commenced in 1853 when rich and extensive alluvial deposits were discovered underlying the thick basaltic or volcanic lava deposit through which the creek had cut its course. The miners tunnelled under the basalt cap and obtained gold from ancient river gravels. These gravels had been deposited in the Tertiary period, up to forty million years ago. The auriferous wash retrieved was treated in puddlers or sluice boxes, and the tailings (river pebbles) being deposited in heaps at the base of the escarpment. The water for treating the wash was conveyed by water races.

This place/object may be included in the Victorian Heritage Register pursuant to the Heritage Act 2017. Check the Victorian Heritage Database, selecting 'Heritage Victoria' as the place source.

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