

# KARDINIA HOUSE



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1 kardinia house riverview  
terrace belmont front view  
green balcony



kardinia house riverview  
terrace belmont side view of  
house



kardinia house riverview  
terrace belmont additions

## Location

1 RIVERVIEW TERRACE BELMONT, GREATER GEELONG CITY

## Municipality

GREATER GEELONG CITY

## Level of significance

Registered

## Victorian Heritage Register (VHR) Number

H0337

## Heritage Overlay Numbers

HO13

## VHR Registration

October 9, 1974

## Heritage Listing

Victorian Heritage Register

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### Statement of Significance

Last updated on - August 17, 1999

In 1836 pioneer Victorian settler Dr. Alexander Thomson, former medical officer with the Port Phillip Association, took up land at Geelong on the Barwon River. Kardinia, the two storey brick and stone house which now stands on this first site, was constructed in various stages with the stone house replacing the original timber structure between 1850 and 1855. The extensive additions were made prior to 1869 with the verandah dating from the later 1880s. Kardinia stands on one of the first settled and most historic homestead sites in the Geelong region, that of the legendary pioneer colonist, politician, churchman and patriarch, Dr. Alexander Thomson.

The career of this remarkable and altruistic man is interwoven with the history of Geelong and the infant Port Phillip colony. The present homestead, of uncertain date, contains within the fabric the stone house of 1850-55, later extended beyond recognition c 1890 by H.F. Richardson, Geelong businessman. Kardinia has been converted as a children's home for the Salvation Army. The building is recognisably intact externally, but the late 1880s interior has been largely obliterated. The structure is of low integrity.

[Source: Register of the National Estate]

### Permit Exemptions

#### General Exemptions:

General exemptions apply to all places and objects included in the Victorian Heritage Register (VHR). General exemptions have been designed to allow everyday activities, maintenance and changes to your property, which don't harm its cultural heritage significance, to proceed without the need to obtain approvals under the Heritage Act 2017.

**Places of worship:** In some circumstances, you can alter a place of worship to accommodate religious practices without a permit, but you must **notify** the Executive Director of Heritage Victoria before you start the works or activities at least 20 business days before the works or activities are to commence.

**Subdivision/consolidation:** Permit exemptions exist for some subdivisions and consolidations. If the subdivision or consolidation is in accordance with a planning permit granted under Part 4 of the *Planning and Environment Act 1987* and the application for the planning permit was referred to the Executive Director of Heritage Victoria as a determining referral authority, a permit is not required.

Specific exemptions may also apply to your registered place or object. If applicable, these are listed below. Specific exemptions are tailored to the conservation and management needs of an individual registered place or object and set out works and activities that are exempt from the requirements of a permit. Specific exemptions prevail if they conflict with general exemptions.

Find out more about heritage permit exemptions [here](#).

Construction dates        1850,  
Heritage Act Categories   Registered place,  
Hermes Number            121  
Property Number

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## History

Associated People: Tenant H F RICHARDSON;  
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## Extent of Registration

*Shire of South Barwon*. No.337. Kardinia House, 1 Riverview Terrace, Belmont.  
[*Victoria Government Gazette* No 100 Wednesday, October 9 1974 p.3650]

*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.*

*For further details about Heritage Overlay places, contact the relevant local council or go to Planning Schemes Online <http://planningschemes.dpcd.vic.gov.au/>*