

Victorian Heritage Database Report  
**Polychrome Brick Homestead**

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**Location:**

36 Bell Street, Yarra Glen VIC 3775

**Heritage Status / Level of Significance:**

Included in Heritage Overlay

**Heritage Inventory (HI) Number:**

**Listing Authority: HI**

**Heritage Overlay Number: HO97**

**Statement of Significance:**

What is significant?

William Herbert's Polychrome Brick Homestead at 36 Bell St Yarra Glen.

How is it significant?

The homestead at 36 Bell St is of high local and regional historic significance, and of aesthetic significance.

Why is it significant?

The homestead is of high local and regional historic significance as the residence of William Herbert, an important local identity and important figure in the history of Yarra Glen and region. RNE Criterion A.4

It is of aesthetic significance as a largely intact example of a Victorian-era rural homestead constructed during the boom of the 1880s. RNE Criterion E.1

**Description**

A single storey polychrome brick Victorian house with a hipped slate roof and corbelled brick chimneys. The roof has narrow bracketed eaves and a band of green fishscale slates. The original front elevation faces away from the street and contains tuck-pointed brickwork with a central front door with sidelights and a fanlight. On either side of the door is a pair of timber framed double-hung sash windows.

The original rural context homestead has been entirely lost as it is now incorporated into a shopping complex which directly abuts a side elevation. Verandahs to both the front and rear are recent reconstructions and air-conditioning units have been inserted in most windows.

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| Heritage Study / Consultant | Yarra Ranges - Shire of Yarra Ranges Heritage Study, Context Pty Ltd, 2000 |
| Construction Date Range     | 1885 - 1885  |
| Architect / Designer        |  |
| Municipality                | YARRA RANGES SHIRE   |
| Other names                 |  |
| Hermes number               | 115915   |
| Property number             |  |

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