



Victorian Heritage Database Report  
**Colonial Bank (former)**

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**Location:**

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:**

**Statement of Significance:**

What is significant?

The former Colonial Bank at 25 Bell Street, Yarra Glen.

How is it significant?

The former Colonial Bank, 25 Bell Street, Yarra Glen is of local historical, aesthetic and social significance.

Why is it significant?

Of local historical significance as one of only two early banks in the region (the other being the former Commercial Bank of 1886, corner of Armstrong Grove and Bell Street). RNE criterion A.4

Of aesthetic significance as a late Boom-Style bank and one of the most stately buildings in Yarra Glen.

RNE criterion E.1

Of social significance because it was a focal point for financial dealings in the district.

RNE criterion G.1

**Description**

A double-storey rendered brick Victorian classical revival bank with an ornate symmetrical façade. The ground floor has plain rusticated walls with a central entrance surmounted by a triangular pediment on console

brackets. On either side of the entrance are fixed lower sash windows with hoppers and segmental arched pediments on console brackets. The first floor windows are timber-framed double, hung sashes with pediments arranged to match the ground floor. Above the first floor is a heavily moulded cornice and balustraded parapet with prominent finials.

The single storey rear wing has painted face brick walls with timber-framed double-hung sash windows and a hipped slate roof.

The building is substantially intact with only minor alterations. These include the replacement of the original ground floor windows and door and the infilling of a window opening on the side elevation. Historic photographs indicate the render to the façade was originally unpainted.

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Heritage Study / Consultant	Yarra Ranges - Shire of Yarra Ranges Heritage Study, Context Pty Ltd, 2000
Construction Date Range	1890 - 1890
Architect / Designer	Campbell, Colin
Municipality	YARRA RANGES SHIRE
Other names	
Hermes number	116040
Property number	

*This place/object may also be State heritage listed. Check the Victorian Heritage Database. For further details, contact the local Council or go to Planning Schemes Online*