

Victorian Heritage Database Report

Boisdale Homestead

**Location:**

Maffra/Briagolong Road,, BOISDALE VIC 3860 - Property No B0606

Heritage Status / Level of Significance:

Local

Heritage Inventory (HI) Number:

Listing Authority: HI

Statement of Significance:

Boisdale Homestead was erected in 1892 for Askin Morrison Foster, son of pioneer pastoralist John Foster, who leased the run in 1841. R G W Purchas, a Melbourne architect, designed the present single storey brick and timber residence with a steep broken pitch roof clad with Marseille tiles and capped with a monitor skylight. The V plan form and exterior form reflect American influences in the design.

Boisdale Homestead is a distinctive East Gippsland residence and a notable work of R G W Purchas, an innovative architect working in the late 19th century. The style of Boisdale is clearly derived from contemporary American developments and contrasts with Purchas's revivalist work, of which his own house, Tay Creggan, in Hawthorn, is the most important.

Boisdale is an early settled pastoral run and the present residence is dramatically situated on a granite outcrop overlooking the Avon River. The interior is finely crafted.

Boisdale homestead and outbuildings are maintained intact and in excellent condition.
Classified; 08/06/1967

Heritage Study / Consultant	
Construction Date Range	
Architect / Designer	
Municipality	WELLINGTON SHIRE
Other names	
Hermes number	70002
Property number	B0606

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