Statement of Significance: Deodara Cedar Tree, 39 Mathoura Road, Toorak, October 2023

Heritage Place: Tree, 39 Mathoura Road, Toorak

PS ref no: HO746



(Source: Extent Heritage Pty Ltd, 2021)

What is significant?

The deodara cedar (*Cedrus deodara*) tree at 39 Mathoura Road, Armadale, is significant. Specifically, the scale and sitting of the deodara cedar (*Cedrus deodara*) is of local significance. The residence, front boundary fence, landscaping and other elements of the property are not significant.

How is it significant?

The deodara cedar (*Cedrus deodara*) tree is of local historic and aesthetic significance to the City of Stonnington.

Why is it significant?

The deodara cedar (*Cedrus deodara*) tree is historically significant as a late 19th century planting which demonstrates how 19th century upper-middle class residential gardens solidified the City of Stonnington's reputation as a pleasant and leafy suburb, following the subdivision of large Victorian estates. The deodara cedar forms a tangible link to this period of development. (Criterion A)

The deodara cedar (*Cedrus deodara*) tree is aesthetically significant as a visually prominent and picturesque tree that forms a key residential landscape and streetscape element. This is primarily due to its impressive height and width, street front position, deep canopy over the property, and branches overhanging the sidewalk. The tree is an important element of the streets green character. (Criterion E)

Primary source

Deodara Cedar Tree, 39 Mathoura Road, Toorak, Citation Report, Extent Heritage Pty Ltd, October 2023.