

Statement of Significance: Yately, 3 Yar Orrong Road, Toorak, October 2023

Heritage Place: Yately, Toorak	PS ref no: HO346
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(Source: Extent Heritage Pty Ltd, 2021)

What is significant?

The property known at 3 Yar Orrong Road, Toorak (otherwise known as Yately), is significant. Specifically, the form, scale, fenestration and detailing of the early interwar Georgian Revival residence with strong Prairie style influences is of local significance. The front boundary wall is contributory towards the heritage values of the place. The landscaping and later alterations and additions to the property are not significant.

How is it significant?

Yately, is of local aesthetic and creative significance to the City of Stonnington. It also demonstrates a high degree of creative achievement, being one of the first dwellings in the area to anticipate both the Prairie style and the more stylised forms of the Georgian Revival style that gained popularity in the late 1920s and 1930s.

Why is it significant?

Yately has aesthetic significance as an intact and high quality synthesis of the interwar Georgian Revival and Prairie styles, a combination of architectural influence, which gives it a distinctive character. Key features contributing towards its aesthetic value include its alignment of windows with strong projecting drip moulds that give the residence a strong horizontal character, its projecting front portico, low pitched projecting hipped roof, and balanced asymmetrical façade. (Criterion E)

Yately demonstrates a high degree of creative achievement and innovation as one of the first dwellings in the area to anticipate both the Prairie style and the more stylised forms of the Georgian Revival style that gained popularity in the late 1920s and 1930s. This is derived from its form and horizontal emphasis, created by its fenestration, geometric form and balanced asymmetry. (Criterion F)

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