

Statement of Significance: Carmyle, 7 Carmyle Avenue, Toorak (March 2022)

Heritage Place: Carmyle, Toorak	PS ref no: HO9
--	-----------------------



(Source: Extent Heritage Pty Ltd, 2021)

What is significant?

The property at 7-9 Carmyle Avenue, Toorak (otherwise known as Carmyle) is significant. Specifically, the form, scale and detailing of the late Victorian mansion and its early 20th century alterations are significant, as well as the wrought iron fencing. The pool and outbuildings are not significant.

How is it significant?

Carmyle is of local historical and aesthetic significance to the City of Stonington, and is representative as a late Victorian mansion. Carmyle is also of associative significance as a house potentially designed by architect Francis Maloney White and altered by Ballantyne and Hare.

Why is it significant?

Carmyle is of historical significance in demonstrating the development of late Victorian houses within Toorak during the late 19th century, prior to the wider subdivision of the late Victorian estates. The house is also of historical significance in demonstrating residential development in the south eastern suburbs by Melbourne's wealthiest citizens during the gold rush period. (Criterion A)

Carmyle is aesthetically significant as a distinct and visually present example of late Victorian house that has been altered with early 20th century additions. Key elements that contribute towards the aesthetic value of the place include the double-storey arcaded loggias, a polygonal projecting bay, the use of a parapet to conceal the hipped slate roof, projecting course hood mouldings over windows, recessed entrance treatment off Carmyle Avenue and the use of stucco render. (Criterion E)

Carmyle has associative significance as related to architect Francis Maloney White, who is said to have designed the original mansion. The early 20th century additions made to the building enhance the sites significance for their association with prominent architectural partnership, Ballantyne and Hare. (Criterion H)

Primary source

7 Carmyle Avenue Toorak - Citation Report, Extent Heritage Pty Ltd, November 2021.