

Manningham Heritage Garden & Significant Tree Study

Heritage Garden Information Sheet

Garden Identification No.: 32

Name of Property: Originally "Kehrerweider " – not now used

Location: 131 High Street, Doncaster

Owner: Georgette Mahoney

History:

Original owner: Frederick Winter

House – Designed By: Frederick Winter

Built by: Unknown

Date: Original house in 1896

Additions (date): Back of house addition in 1960s or 70s.

Garden - Designed By: Frederick Winter and Baron Ferdinand von Mueller

Built by: Unknown

Date: c. 1875

Additions (date, designer & type): Unknown

Notes –

The house was originally attached to the Winter's Orchard, and was owned by the family for 80 years. The existing path and hedge layout is thought to have been designed by Baron Ferdinand von Mueller, director of the Melbourne Botanical Gardens, with the current Box hedges thought to be original. The front garden is a Parterre comprising of Dutch Box (*Buxus sempervirens* 'Suffruticosa') hedges c.1m tall with small sections of dieback. The hedges continue around the northern side of the house, with the previous owners also planting English Box (*Buxus sempervirens*) at the front gate to meet the front fence, which was previously a Cypress hedge. It would appear that the original Parterre pattern would have continued further, but was removed when the property was subdivided.



Garden Style:

Geometric	X	Australian Native	English Landscape	Picturesque	Gardenesque (Victorian)	
Edwardian		Bush	Australian suburban	Plantsman's	Other	X

Other: Parterre with Dutch Box (*Buxus sempervirens* 'Suffruticosa') hedges.

Category of Significance:

Significant role in pattern of history	X	Demonstrating a rare/endangered aspect of history	May yield new historical information	Demonstrating a class of significant places	
Aesthetic value	X	High level of Creative/ Technical development representing a period	Valued by community for cultural, social or spiritual reasons	Associated with (or designed by) historical figure	X

Level of Significance: State

Main Elements:

Trees	X	Shrubberies	Lakes/ponds	Other		
Walling		Steps	Paving	X	Hedges	X

Other: Dutch box hedges with brick paths, paving and garden edging.

Features:

Statuary		Fountain		Summer house/aviary		Gates		Pergola	X
Terraces		Urns		Orchard		Kitchen Garden		Other	X

Other: Parterre garden

Garden Plantings: The Dutch Box hedges (*Buxus sempervirens* 'Suffruticosa') appear to be the only original garden plantings, with the balance of the front and rear gardens consisting of new plantings. The one exception to this is an original Fig (*Ficus carica*) which has been included in this study as a significant tree.

Condition & Integrity:

Excellent	X	Good		Fair		Deteriorated		Ruins	
Intact	X	Altered/extended sympathetically		Altered/extended unsympathetically		Disturbed or damaged		Restoration possible?	

Notes: The original Box hedges are still in tact, however the balance of the front and rear garden is new. The path layout is thought to be that originally designed by von Mueller, however the path surfaces (brick) may not be original. The front fence was originally a cypress hedge, which has been removed and replaced with timber palings. The pergola, while possibly not dating from the original garden layout is sympathetic to the garden, and still of considerable age. With the exception of the *Ficus carica* none of the back garden is original or significant. Excluding the box hedges, none of the plantings in the front yard are significant.

Maintenance Practices/Requirements: The box hedges should be clipped at least every twelve months, preferably more frequently. Any new plantings should be sympathetic to the era of the garden and its historical context.

Existing Overlay Controls:	Heritage Overlay (HO82), Vegetation Protection Overlay (VPO3)
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Significant Elements: The Parterre style box hedges in the front garden and to the north of the house are of state significance. The path layout is also of state significant for its connection with von Mueller, and the pergola is of local significance.

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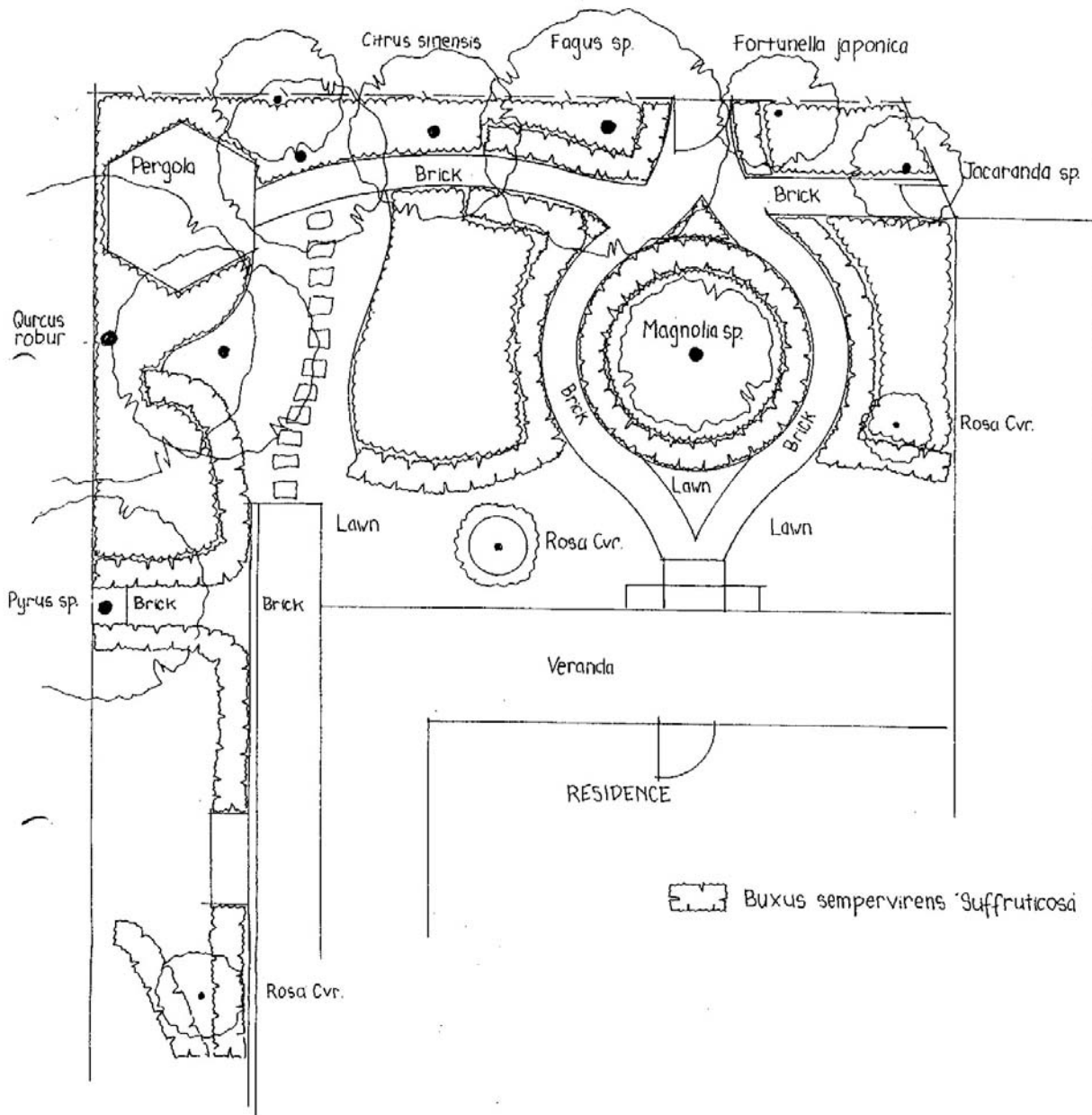
Additional Photos:



Pergola



Parterre



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