Statement of Significance: Residence, 30 Macfarlan Street, South Yarra (June 2026)

Heritage Place:	Residence 30 Macfarlan Street, South Yarra	**PS ref no:**	HO74



Figure 1: *Street frontage of the Residence, 30 Macfarlan Street, South Yarra* (GJM Heritage, June 2024).

What is significant?

The residence at 30 Macfarlan Street, South Yarra, constructed 1861.

Elements that contribute to the significance of the place include:

- Single storey mid-Victorian timber house
- Hipped roof form, clad with slate to the principal elevation and corrugated sheet metal to the balance
- Symmetrical front elevation
- Convex hipped verandah with simple timber posts and timber floor
- Central timber-framed entrance with panelled timber door and flanking full-height shuttered windows
- Rendered chimney to north side of roof.

Later alterations and additions to the rear of the building do not contribute to the significance of the place. The front timber fence does not contribute to the significance of the place.

How is it significant?

The residence at 30 Macfarlan Street, South Yarra is of local historical and representative (architectural) significance to the City of Stonnington.

Why is it significant?

The residence at 30 Macfarlan Street, South Yarra has strong associations with the early European development phase of South Yarra, when land was first subdivided and sold for residential development in the mid-nineteenth century. It is one of only a small number of substantially intact houses remaining in the suburb to clearly demonstrate the early phase of development in the City of Stonnington (Criterion A).

The residence at 30 Macfarlan Street, South Yarra is a substantially intact representative example of a mid-Victorian timber house. It displays typical characteristics of the Italianate style of the mid-Victorian period, including hipped roof with slate-cladding to the principal elevation, rendered chimney to the north, symmetrical front elevation with timber post supported verandah, central entrance and flanking full-height window openings (Criterion D).

Primary source

South Yarra Heritage Review (GJM Heritage, March 2025).