



MUNICIPAL INVENTORY PLACE RECORD FORM

LGA Place No: 081 Tathra Cottage





Lat: -33.891473 Long: 115.838306

LOCATION

HCWA Reference Number	04788
Other Reference Number	
Name of Place	Tathra Cottage
Other Names	Ellis Cottage
Address	Balingup-Nannup Rd
Suburb/Town	Nannup
Local Government Authority	Shire of Nannup

LAND DESCRIPTION

Reserve No.	Lot	Location No.	Plan/Diagram	Vol/Folio
		780	P12565	1514/995

PERIOD

Design Style	Victorian Georgian, Vernacular
Construction Date	1870
Source/Details	

USE(S) OF PLACE

Original	Farming/Pastoral - Homestead
Present	Educational - Museum
Other	

HISTORICAL NOTES

Tathra Cottage was built by William Ellis who took up land in the area circa 1870. The building has been conserved and restored by the present owner and is open to the public as a folk museum with an interpretive display depicting the life of the early settlers.

DESCRIPTION

Tathra Cottage consists of a simple white-washed timber pole and slab structure with a gabled iron roof over the main room, skillion formed verandah to the north and skillion-roofed enclosure to the south. Features include a random laid stone chimney and flue to the east façade, along with a variety of timber framed windows to the north, east and south. A panel of louvered windows has been added to the southwest.

HISTORIC THEME

CATEGORIES OF SIGNIFICANCE

Demographic Settlements & Mobility - Settlements	Historic
People – Early settlers	

RATING AND ASSESSMENT	High						Low
Aesthetic value (streetscape, setting)	1 🗸	2		3		4	5
Architectural merit (design features)	1	2		3	\checkmark	4	5
Rarity value	1 🗸	2		3		4	5
Value as part of a group/precinct	1	2		3		4	5 ✓
Condition	1	2	\checkmark	3		4	5
Integrity	1	2	\checkmark	3		4	5

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

Tathra Cottage is significant as representative of the housing constructed by the earliest settlers in the Blackwood Valley region. The significance of the cottage has been preserved by the restoration project undertaken by the present owners.

MANAGEMENT RECOMMENDATIONS

Management category A

HERITAGE LISTINGS BY OTHER BODIES

- Heritage Council inHerit Database 1997
- "History of Nannup", C Gilbert, 1973

SUPPORTING INFORMATION/BIBLIOGRAPHY

Shire of Nannup Municipal Inventory (No.1) 1996

HISTORY OF LISTING IN MUNICIPAL INVENTORY

	Date Adopted by Council
Initial listing in MI	February 1996
Review of MI	August 2016