



**HERITAGE
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Permanent Entry

1. **DATA BASE No.** 00822
2. **NAME** *Dempster Homestead (fmr), Esperance (1873; 1878; 1940s; 1967/8)*
FORMER NAME Dempster House
3. **LOCATION** 155 Dempster Street, Esperance
4. **DESCRIPTION OF PLACE INCLUDED IN THIS ENTRY**
Lot 1 on Plan 7287 being the whole of the land contained in Certificate of Title Volume 1310 Folio 266
5. **LOCAL GOVERNMENT AREA** Shire of Esperance
6. **OWNER** Duke of Orleans Properties Pty Ltd
7. **HERITAGE LISTINGS**

• Register of Heritage Places:	Permanent Entry	6/08/2008
• National Trust Classification:	Classified	1/06/1973
• Town Planning Scheme:	Adopted	7/09/1991
• Municipal Inventory:	Adopted	3/07/1996
• Register of the National Estate:		-----
8. **CONSERVATION ORDER**

9. **HERITAGE AGREEMENT**

10. **STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE**

Dempster Homestead (fmr), Esperance, a single storey, stone and iron residence in the Victorian Regency style set in landscaped gardens, has cultural heritage significance for the following reasons:

the place is a very good example of a stone building constructed in the 1870s and demonstrates the role of the homestead and remote settlement life in regional areas during the 19th century when the place served as the focal point for services and community activities;

the place is a significant landmark in the town of Esperance, valued highly by the community as one of the few remaining settler structures in the district and for its continuity of form and function since 1873;

the place is closely associated with the Dempster family who made a significant contribution to the development of the Esperance region; and, the place's use as holiday accommodation for miners for many years, demonstrates the long standing relationship between the town of Esperance and the Goldfields, and the development of Esperance as a tourist town.

The wing of the house built in 1967/8 including the garage, bedrooms and bathrooms is considered to have low significance.