

Heritage



278 Harcourt Street, Teneriffe

Key details

Addresses	At 278 Harcourt Street, Teneriffe, Queensland 4005
Type of place	House
Period	Victorian 1860-1890
Style	Queenslander
Lot plan	L1_SP149420
Key dates	Local Heritage Place Since — 1 January 2005 Date of Information — June 2011
Construction	Roof: Corrugated iron; Walls: Timber
People/associations	John Hall and Son (Architect)

This large timber home was probably built sometime between 1879 and the late 1880s for Robert Skerrit Exton. Exton established a successful painting and decorating business in Harcourt Street in the 1870s before taking on George Gough as a partner and moving their premises to a fine new warehouse at Petrie Bight in the 1880s. Exton and Gough worked on major Brisbane buildings including the Treasury Buildings, Custom House, and the stained glass windows of St Stephen's Cathedral. Title to 'Cluna' passed to Robert Exton's wife, Rose in 1896 and to their spinster daughters Ada and Amy in 1939 before passing out of the Exton family in 1985. Extensions by the firm of J Hall & Son were added to the house in 1893. A small building at the rear of the property is possibly the original stables or buggy shed of the house.

References

1. BCC surveyor's notebook C49-22 30 Oct 1916
 2. State Library of Queensland, Picture Queensland (website)
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