

3 Ray Street, Castlemaine, Vic 3450

Sold House

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Bedrooms: 3

Bathrooms: 2

Parkings: 2

Area: 2731 m2

Type: House



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Turlough is a remarkable and important house. Anyone who has admired the intricacies of a historic home knows there is something magical about beautifully designed and proportioned rooms. Turlough is such a home. Restored for modern living, everything has been considered; fabric, colour, texture, integrity and light, to create that wonderful sense of calm and yet retaining all of its architectural, historic and intrinsic character. Nicholas Fitzgerald chose Turlough to be home for good reason. Built originally as a humble stone and weatherboard residence in the 1850's, the home was further extended in c.1864 for Nicholas Fitzgerald as a statement of wealth and influence. The extension is believed to be the design of William Beynon Downes who also designed Castlemaine's Market Building in 1861-62. The Fitzgerald's were astute entrepreneurs and Brewers and the founders of Castlemaine XXXX Brewery. The interiors of this historic 259m² red brick residence are elegant, spacious and have all the classical architectural elements associated with the early Victorian period - deep cornices, high 4.27m ceilings, elaborate rosettes and decorative ceilings, arched hallway, wide architraves, pine flooring, solid skirting boards and marble fireplaces. Notable features include terracotta corbels on the front entry and the open balcony with terracotta balustrades. These were all features designed to impress and make a lasting statement. The home comprises of an impressive entry door with acid etched sidelights and fanlight, long wide hallway, fully equipped country kitchen with extensive preparation benches and cabinetry, pantry, informal dining room, large sunroom, sitting room with built in bookshelves, grand drawing room, 4 bedrooms, 2 bathrooms, laundry with storage and a cellar. The house is serviced with all town facilities, hydronic heating and gas log heater. The established low maintenance garden on 2731m² includes deciduous and native trees, cottage flowers, extensive lawns, hedging, private and quiet seating areas and wisteria draped pergola which is perfect for alfresco dining. Notable trees include Irish Strawberry, Cedar, Crepe Myrtle, Flowering Apples, Pin Oaks, Maples and Ash. The property includes a 2-car garage and garden shed. Turlough is located minutes' walk from the Castlemaine town centre and in the heart of the Central Victorian Goldfields - a culturally and historically rich and diverse region and the traditional lands of the Dja Dja Wurrung and Taungurung peoples. The area has a vibrant artistic community and a relaxing cosmopolitan feel. At your doorstep are galleries, apple orchards and cideries, eateries, cafes, antique stores, historic estates, art galleries, Botanic Gardens c.1860, all town facilities and the renown Harcourt Valley and Bendigo wine regions. Castlemaine has a temperate climate and experiences four distinct seasons. Minutes away are the historic townships and hamlets of Maldon, Newstead Chewton and Bendigo. Melbourne CBD and Tullamarine International Airport is a scenic 80-minute drive and train services are provided. Whether Turlough is your next family home, country weekender, or an upmarket accommodation venture - this property offers an exciting opportunity to be a part of history and own one of Castlemaine's truly exceptional historic family homes in one of Victoria's important and vibrant country townships. Note: The property can be viewed from 22-24 Douglas Rd. For further information or to arrange a private inspection please contact - Dominic Romeo on - 0438 500 277 or email - dominicromeo@circaheritageandlifestyle.com.au