

Tinospora smilacina — Snake Vine

Scientific Name:

Tinospora smilacina

Common Name:

Snake Vine

Register Number:

22

Location of Tree:

Rieff Building, 52 Hartley Street,
Alice Springs NT

GPS:

-23.70002, 133.88094

Categories of Significance:

Age

Cultural

Date Planted:

Pre-1955

Planted By:

Simon Alexander Rieff

Year Listed:

1996

This vine is a native species to Central Australia however does not naturally occur as far south as Alice Springs. The vine was planted by Simon Rieff beside the carport of his home, later the location of the Simon Rieff Building. Rieff was well known in Central Australia as an explorer, prospector and miner. The vine was estimated at over 50 years old and remembered as a large well-established vine back in 1955. Due to an extension of the Yeperenye Shopping Centre in the late 1990's the vine was removed, cuttings were taken however no one is sure of their location now.



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