Tamarindus indica — Tamarind

Scientific Name:

Tamarindus indica

Common Name:

Tamarind

Register Number:

54 & 55

Location of Tree:

The Gardens, Chin Quan Road, Darwin NT

GPS:

-12.44919, 130.8339

Categories of Significance:

Aesthetic

Unique Location

Year Listed:

1986



These two Tamarinds are an attractive addition to the streetscape. They were planted in front of Darwin's earliest Protestant church (built in 1879). It is probable they were brought to Darwin as seedlings from one of the church's missions in Millimgimbi, where there are many Tamarinds that were originally planted by Macassan fishermen.

A 1949 Photograph of Mitchell Street, taken from under the shade of these trees, depicts them as already being of considerable age.

Trees were relocated from Lot 2280 Dynacycle Mitchell Street to Chin Quan Road on the 8th and 9th of December 2001 due to the construction of a multi story building (Mitchell Centre) at their original site.

