

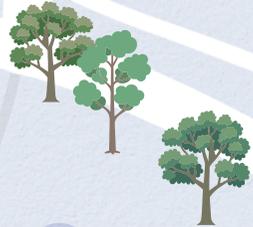
# Civic Discovery Walk

## Civic places of importance – East Melbourne

These sites have been selected for their relevance to Parliament of Victoria. There are many more monuments and places of significance in the area as well as throughout Melbourne. *For more information visit [vicparl.news/civicwalk](http://vicparl.news/civicwalk)*



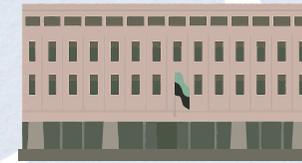
St Peter's Eastern Hill  
Anglican Church



The Great Petition



The Vic SES Memorial  
& JFK Memorial



Dept. of Premier & Cabinet



John Cain Junior



Parliament House



Old Treasury Building



Henry Bolte &  
Albert Dunstan

Albert St

Macarthur St

Collins St



Pastor & Lady Nicholls



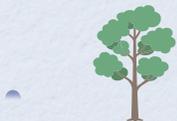
General Gordon Statue



Rupert Hamer



Acknowledging  
Traditional Owners



Spring St



Train Station



The Windsor Hotel





## • Acknowledging Traditional Owners

Long before 1855, the site of Parliament House had been a traditional meeting place for the Wurundjeri People. We acknowledge the traditional owners of the land and recognise all Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Elders, past, present and emerging.

## • Parliament of Victoria – *Parliament House, Spring Street*

Parliament of Victoria is made up of the Legislative Assembly (the lower house) and the Legislative Council (the upper house). Every Victorian is represented by six members of parliament; one member from the lower house and five members from the upper house.

Construction on Parliament House started in 1856, but is still incomplete. The Augmented reality experience of on the steps of Parliament House has more information about the history of the building, parliament and how it works. Visit [vicparl.news/augmented-reality](http://vicparl.news/augmented-reality)

## • Pastor Sir Douglas and Lady Gladys Nicholls – *Parliament Gardens*

Pastor Sir Doug Nicholls, a Yorta Yorta man, was part of the historic Cummeragunja Walk-Off, a professional footballer, one of the founders of the Victorian Aborigines Advancement League and Governor of South Australia. Lady Gladys Nicolls was born at Cummeragunja, and spent much of her life committed to helping the underprivileged and fighting for the rights of women.

## • The Great Petition – *Burston Reserve, Macarthur Street*

The Great Petition was presented to parliament on 29 September 1891. It contained 30,000 signatures from Victorians all supporting the vote for women. The petition was 20 centimetres wide and 260 metres in length, and is made of paper pasted onto fabric.

## • The Victorian Emergency Services Memorial – *Treasury Gardens, East Melbourne*

The Victorian Emergency Services Memorial honours personnel who have lost their lives while serving the community through the diverse range of emergency services that operate throughout Victoria.

## • John F Kennedy Memorial – *Treasury Gardens*

The JFK memorial was built after the assassination of JFK in 1963. It recognises the service of JFK as president of the United States of America.

## • Department of Premier and Cabinet – *1 Treasury Place*

The Department of Premier and Cabinet (DPC) supports the work of the Premier, Deputy Premier, some ministerial portfolios as well as some non-statutory boards, panels and committees.

On your way past the DPC building you will see a number of statues of past Victorian Premiers who each served as Premier for more than 3,000 days.



## • Old Treasury Building – *20 Spring St*

The Old Treasury Building was built between 1858 and 1862 and hosts the original gold vaults where gold bullion was stored during the gold rush era. It also has rare and historic documents from the Public Record Office Victoria and now hosts a range of exhibitions showcasing Victoria's history.

## • General Gordon Statue – *Gordon Reserve, Spring St*

General Charles Gordon was Viceroy of India and was known for his military and charitable work. Some of this work are depicted on the artworks on the limestone base of his statue. Although he never actually stepped foot in Australia, General Gordon was so loved that the public funded a statue of him.

## • The Windsor Hotel – *111 Spring St*

The Windsor Hotel (originally the Grand Hotel) was built in 1883. As it is directly opposite Parliament House, it was considered the perfect location for the Drafting Committee for the Federal Constitution to meet and work on the final details of the Constitution.



## Student Activities

For more detailed student activities visit [vicparl.news/civicwalk](http://vicparl.news/civicwalk)

As you walk around and take a look at the different monuments and places of importance, consider what each monument or place represents and who it might be important to?

### Headlines

- Write a headline that captures the most important aspect of this monument/place.
- What might have been the headline when the monument was first built or the place was first recognised as important?

### Changing perspectives

- What is your first impression of the monument or place of importance?
- What is this monument or place commemorating and why?
- How might different people view this person/people or place? What objections might they have, if any?

### Representation

- Who or what is represented on the walking tour? Are there particular perspectives or periods of time that are more represented than others?
- Who or what is missing? What could you add, take away, make bigger or smaller?
- What other contributions would you like to see recognised in the area around parliament?

