

# Irwin Shire Council

## Municipal Inventory Place Record

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**Place Details**      **Place Number:** 080      **Category:** 5      **HCWA No:** 11856  
**Assessment Date:** 11/06/1997      **Last Revision Date:** 22/08/2004

**Name:** Dominican Retreat  
**Former Name:**  
**Type of Place:** House  
**Address:** Point Leander Drive  
**Map Reference:** HUNT 1:2000 BE42/35.03  
**Locality Name:** Port Denison      **Area of Site:**  
**GPS Northing:**      **GPS Easting:**

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### Photograph

**Date of Photograph:** 22/07/2004      **Source:** G. W. Grundy



Dominican Retreat, north side

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### Ownership

**Owner:** RC Bishop of Geraldton      **Owner Phone/Fax:**  
**Address:** PO Box 178, Geraldton, 6531

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### Site Details

<b>Lot/Locn:</b>		<b>Diagram/Plan:</b>	<b>Vol/Folio:</b>
<b>Reserve:</b>	21595	<b>Purpose:</b>	
<b>Assess No:</b>		<b>Vesting:</b>	
<b>Occupied:</b>	Yes	<b>Occupier:</b>	
<b>PubAccess:</b>	No	<b>Lease:</b>	

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### Uses of the Place

**Original Use:** Retreat

**Current Use:** Retreat

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### Description

**Walls:** Fibro

**Roof:** Tile

**Condition:** Good

**Integrity:** High

**Orig'l Fabric:**

**Modifications**

1996

This simple rectangular building is located in a sand dune to the south of the Fisherman's Memorial. The building has a hipped tiled roof which extends to cover the surrounding verandahs. The verandahs are supported on timber posts with a fibro balustrade and wire mesh over windows above.

2004

The place continues to be maintained by the owners.

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### History

**Const'n Date:** c1930s

**Source:**

**Architect:** Unknown

**Builder:** Unknown

Built in the c.1930s as a coastal retreat for the Dominican Nuns who were working inland and in the Goldfields region.

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### Historic Theme(s)

HCWA

AHC

104 Land allocation and subdivision

8.6.2 Maintaining religious traditions and ceremonies

406 Religion

8.3 Going on holiday

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### Statement of Significance

The Dominican retreat has historic significance for its connection with the Dominican Order in Dongara. The building is a rare example of a coastal retreat as used by a religious order.

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### Management Category: 5

SIGNIFICANT IN CONTRIBUTING TO LOCAL CHARACTER.

The place has social significance and/or contributes to the streetscape and/or built environment of the precinct. Provide encouragement to the owner to maintain or enhance the street aspect of the place. Photographically record the place prior to any redevelopment.

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### Other Listings

No other heritage listings.

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### Supporting Information

IDHS Records

HCWA Database No. 11856

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### Additional Photographs

**Date of Photograph:** 11/06/1997    IR080-1

**Source:** *Suba & Grundy*



Dominican retreat, west side

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