

Archaeological Site Report	SiteNo	9/2/407/0002
	Site Name	Atherton, 295 Florida Road, Durban
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	Coords	-29.830027, 31.012419

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Site Category: Building

Directions:

Turn to north onto Musgrave Rd from Berea Rd North. Turn right into Woodley Rd shortly after crossin Forms part of a group of houses similar in design.

SiteComments:

Archive Import History: It was built originally as a villa for Mrs Joel In 1903 and was designed by W.E.Robarts. The Boule family lived there from more than 40 years. Visual Description: A double-storey house with corrugated iron roof; window openings of a large glazed panel sash variety. It represents one of the few remaining Berea villas which exists in an intact condition. It is the 3rd element of a group of three buildings which have a remarkable uniformity of design. They are all set back in well established gardens with large trees and shrubs. Features include a picturesque asymmetry of the composition of verandahs and gables, face-brick walls (which are relatively unusual for such a building), and even some original light fittings. It is probably the last building designed by W. Robarts, an architect of stature who was also responsible for designing Green and the Little Abbey. This double storey Natal Edwardian verandah house has great dignity and elegance and is a really imposing residence, being a period piece of considerable character. Colours: Site Features: verandahs; beautiful garden with large trees and shrubs Condition: good Construction Date: 1903 Materials: facebrick : corrugated iron Catalogue: Kearney, 1984, No: 11.29, Significance Category: This house from the early Edwardian period and whose restoration in 1985 cost R1000 000, is one of the last remaining houses of its kind in the Berea area.

Damage Types: