

<b>Archaeological Site Report</b>	<b>SiteNo</b>	9/2/084/0075
	<b>Site Name</b>	Vredelus and Klein Vredelus, 63 Dorp Street,
	<b>Date</b>	Stellenbosch
	<b>Project</b>	
	<b>CaseNID</b>	
	<b>Coords</b>	-33.940265, 18.854940

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Site Category: Building

#### **SiteComments:**

Archive Import History: This old house possesses a special kind of charm and mysteriousness, because it stands concealed behind a white wall and an extensive garden with lofty oak-trees, luxuriant shrubs, lawns and flowers. The ground on which this charming old house stands was long ago three separate pieces of land. The first little piece was, just as in the case of Libertas Parva, a part of 'the old farm Libertas. In 1761 J. H. Malan, the then owner of Libertas, sold one hectare to Christoffel Henske. Granted in 1781 to Christoffel Henske, 1 morgen 162 sq. r which was added to the adjoining 1 morgen which he owned already and which had formerly been part of Liebertas Twenty years later an adjoining piece of ground of more or less the same size was granted to him to build a home stead on it as well as other outbuildings which he might require. Ten years later he received another little piece. During the eighties Henske must have built the H-shaped dwelling, the adjoining wine cellar and the stable, because these buildings were indicated on the deed of transfer by which this property was transferred to the ship's doctor, Casper Termytelen, in 1791. After some more transfers, it was sold to Daniel Joubert in 1813. In 1814 he built the beautiful front gable with its four pilasters each with a vase on top and a pediment between the two in the middle. This gable is similar to the one at 61 Andringa Street, while the balustrade on either side of the gable and on the same level with the gutter of the original thatched roof, bears a resemblance to the balustrade which adorned the old Drostdy at Stellenbosch in bygone days. Most probably Daniel Joubert also built the interesting and stately cottage to the left of the homestead. It was called Little Vredelust. The property remained in the possession of the Joubert family till 1868 when it was transferred to Christiaan Joel Ackerman. He was the grandfather of the well-known Mr. Wakkie Krige who lived in the old house for the greater part of this century. The house was modernised in 1900. Nevertheless, Vredelust together with Little Vrede lust and the wine-cellar, forms a unique group of farm buildings in the heart of Stellenbosch. Proclaimed 1970" Visual Description: Granted in 1781 to Christoffel Henske, 1 morgen 162 sq. r which was added to the adjoining 1 morgen which he owned already and which had formerly been part of Liebertas. The deed mentions the words ter opbouwing van n woonhuis met de daartoe nodige gebouwen, and the next transfer, 1791, to Caspar Termytelen does show the plan of the buildings After a few more changes of ownership it was in 1813 transferred to Daniel Joubert, who must have put the gable, dated 1814, on to the house. It is a good gable with vases topping the four pilasters and a pediment between the inner one. An almost identical gable occurs on no. 61 Andringa Street. The house, which is H shaped, was thoroughly modernized about 1900. The balustrade along the top of the front wall is probably old; There was a similar one on the Stellenbosch Drostdy, as shown on two drawings of about 1800-1802. In neither case was the roof flat; the thatch came down behind the balustrade into a gutter, thus preventing rain water from dripping down the facade, Vredelust House, Stellenbosch was declared a national monument on 24 December 1970." Colours: Site Features: Condition: Construction Date: Materials: Catalogue: , No: , Significance Category:

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