The Old Tea Room at the Upper Cableway Station



Historic postcard of the dressed stone Tea Room, with timber extension, shortly after its official opening on 1 February 1930, four months after the opening of the cableway. It was designed by the architect Lance Elsworth of the firm Walgate & Elsworth, who also designed the lower and upper cableway stations. The Scottish stone mason was Mr Black. The original window frames appear to be timber, not steel. (Source: Michael Walker, 2012)



A 1972 photograph of snow on Table Mountain, with the former timber extension to the restaurant clearly visible.



During the 1997 cableway upgrade, the timber extension was removed and a new, contemporary restaurant built separate from the tea room, which was converted into a souvenir shop.