

# Greenplace

1914 – 1979

**Other Names:**

- Greenplace Hospital
- Greenplace Hostel
- Green Place

## Details

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Greenplace was a government-run facility, established in Mosman Park in 1914 as an annexe of the Claremont Hospital for the Insane. It admitted female psychiatric patients, possibly including adolescents with intellectual disabilities. From 1946 until it closed in 1979, Greenplace was a hostel for female psychiatric patients.

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Greenplace was described in the 'Report and Appendices of the Royal Commission in Lunacy' in 1922 as being in a private house that had once been used as a hospital for 'female inebriates'.

When Greenplace was visited by the Royal Commission, there were 15 'quiet and convalescent' female patients who did 'a great deal of the housework and mending of clothes'. The house and its location overlooking the Swan River were said to be 'charming' but the access for patients was 'somewhat difficult'. The house itself was 'comfortable' but needed 'certain repairs'. The Commissioners thought Greenplace should and could take more and a greater variety of patients if 'a better heating system and shower baths' were installed.

## Gallery

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**Green Place on the Swan River, Mosman Park**

**Description:** This is a digital copy of a photograph which shows the outside of the Greenplace Hostel as it would have looked in the 1920s. This image is part of the The Grove Library's Community History Images Collection.

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## More info

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### Related Entries

**Run by**

- [Lunacy Department, State Government of Western Australia \(1903 - 1934\)](#)

Date: 1914 - 1934

- [Mental Hospitals Department, State Government of Western Australia \(1934 - 1954\)](#)  
Date: 1934 - 1954
- [Mental Health Services, State Government of Western Australia \(1954 - 1984\)](#)  
Date: 1954 - 1979

#### Related Events

- [Royal Commission in Lunacy, State of Western Australia \(28 September 1921 - 21 September 1922\)](#)

#### Related Organisations

- [Claremont Mental Hospital \(1903 - 1972\)](#)  
Greenplace was originally an annexe of the Claremont Hospital for the Insane.

#### Related Legislation

- [Lunacy Act 1903, Western Australia \(1903 - 1962\)](#)

## Resources

- [The Bentley Case](#), The West Australian, 23 April 1938
- [Bentley case](#), The West Australian, 5 May 1938

## Records

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For more information and to access your records, follow the links below:

### Records

- [Records of Greenplace Hostel \(1954 - 1978\)](#)
- [Community History Images Collection \(1890s - current\)](#)

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