

MacQuarie Mausoleum

Tudor- revival style gable-fronted mausoleum built on a rectangular ground plan having ashlar walls with engaged buttresses. Pitched roof with carved kneeler stones and raised verging to gables having finials to apex. Square-headed and shouldered doorways to gable-fronted elevations now in filled with granite inscription plaques. Set within grassed circular area enclosed by a rubble stone wall having wrought-iron gates.

Gruline
Isle of Mull

Argyll
Scotland

Architects

Year Built

Style

1850

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Listing

Condition

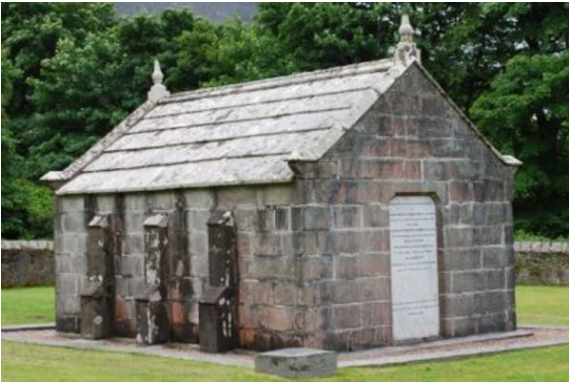
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History

The mausoleum is the final resting place of Lachlan MacQuarie, his wife Elizabeth and their children, Lachlan and Jane. Lachlan MacQuarie (Senior) was born nearby at Ulva Ferry in 1761 and died in 1824 after distinguished service as Governor of New South Wales. He was a Scottish Soldier and colonial administrator who had been appointed as governor of New South Wales in 1810. He took over a colony which was in a mutinous state, the 'Rum Rebellion' had caused disruption and MacQuarie had to bring under control a population which included many convicts, land-grabbers and monopolists. His rule of 11 years brought prosperity to the region but it took a toll on his health and he later returned to Britain where he died on 1st July 1824. MacQuarie is affectionately remembered as 'the father of Australia' and his mausoleum was gifted in 1948 to the people of New South Wales. The monument is currently managed by the National Trust of Scotland on behalf of the people of New South Wales.

Sources

Photos



Location

SatNav Co-ordinates: 56.48666513603186, -5.98206300009232