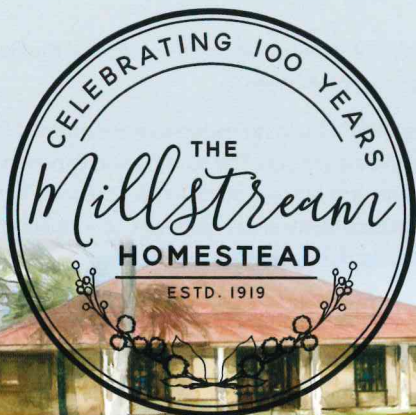


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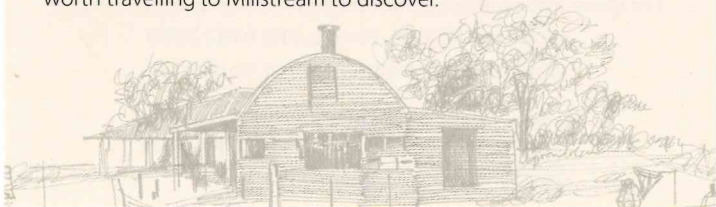
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## Millstream Homestead is celebrating 100 years since its construction in 1919.

The charming Millstream Homestead is the third built on this site. It replaced the previous homestead that was destroyed by a violent storm in 1916, which in turn superseded the first homestead that was made of wattle and daub with a thatched roof and burnt down in 1897.

The design of the building reflects others of similar age throughout the region with their hip roofs, concrete floors and verandas on all sides. What makes this homestead unique, is that it is made from reinforced concrete and unlike stone buildings of the same era, the walls are only 70mm thick. This method of construction in a remote location is historically and scientifically significant. It was designed by Perth architect JC Smith and built by CH Turner, who at the time was 'the best man in concrete'. It's a fascinating story and one worth travelling to Millstream to discover.

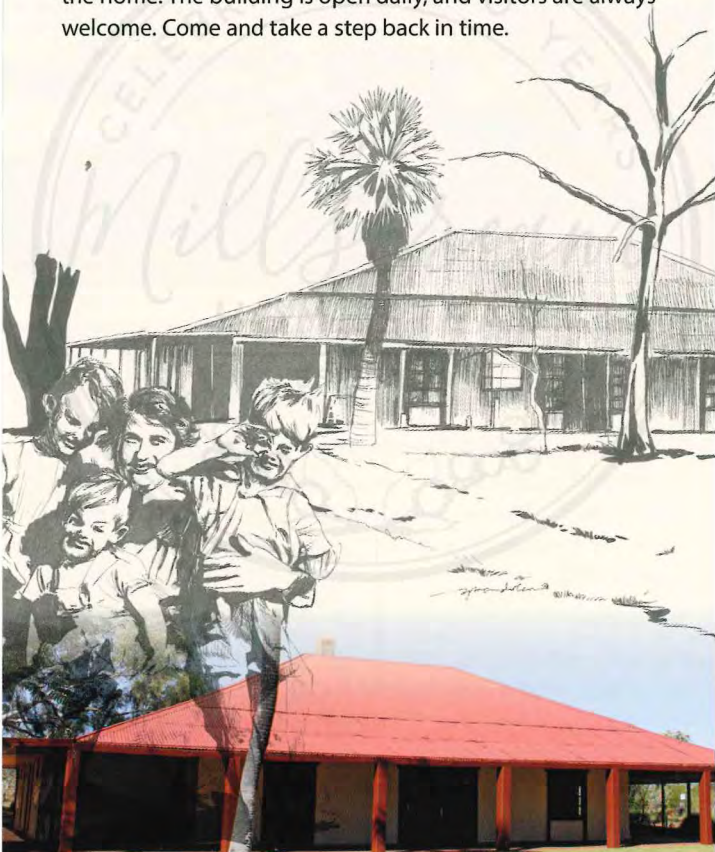


Transportation of materials and construction of the building were not without their challenges.

Eighty-six tonnes of building materials were shipped from Fremantle to Point Samson. The country was experiencing severe drought and horses couldn't make the required number of trips from Point Samson to Millstream, so a camel team was purchased to do the work.

Building began in May 1919, and the family moved into the home in December the same year.

The homestead has had a few updates over the last 100 years, but the memories of yesteryear continue to echo throughout the home. The building is open daily, and visitors are always welcome. Come and take a step back in time.



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