

## Millards Cottage

The oldest extant building in Ulladulla (c.1868) now houses Millard's Cottage Restaurant.

Moses Campbell, an ex-army Captain purchased the land in 1841, for a sum of £20. He sold the land to Richard Millard for £100 in 1868. Richard then built the cottage as his residence and a general store.

Richard Millard had already established a tannery on the northern bank of Millards Creek in 1854. The Cottage and tannery were then sold by the Millard family to Edward Farliegh, a tanner from Sydney. The cottage sold for £400.

### Millards Creek 1874

This painting is located at Ulladulla Library



The 1890s saw the destruction of the main road bridge over the western end of Millards creek at the base of Camden St (North) near Ulladulla Public School. The main road was then diverted along Church St. Millard Creek bridge was replaced in 1906, with the Department of Main Roads building the existing concert bridge in 1949.

In the 1910s there was talk to move the Ulladulla Post office to Howards General Store (Millards Cottage), this was declined due to complaints as the move would favour one business over another.

A general store, drapery, butcher shop, motor mechanic, dress shop and holiday lettering are just some of the businesses that the Cottage has seen over the last century. The cottage features three fireplaces, cedar staircases, skirting boards and architraves.

The tannery located on the banks of Millards Creek ceased operating in 1939 when it was destroyed by a bushfire. The tannery first operated by the Millard brothers. The weir on Millard's creek (near Green & St Vincents Streets) was built around 1898 and supplied fresh water to the tannery and later Mitchells Sawmill located on the southern side of Millard's Creek.

In the 1950s, west of Millards Cottage there was a market garden where fresh vegetables could be bought from Mr Ryan and the general store at Millards Cottage of course.

Milton and Helen Lay established the Cottage as Millards Restaurant in the early 1980s. It was then purchased by John and Libby McMahon, who continued with the restaurant until it was sold to John and Gwenda Cross in 1998.

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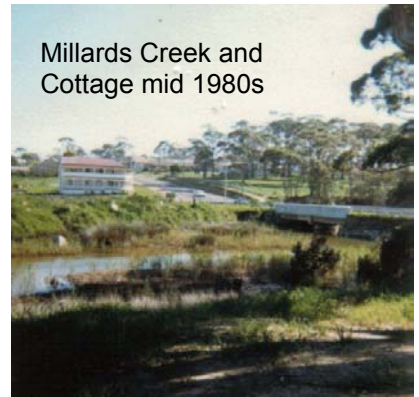
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Millards Cottage  
Early 1900s



Millards Creek and  
Cottage mid 1980s



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Millards Creek Ulladulla 1920s

