



Wernher Mausoleum

An exceptionally elaborate Gothic Revival monument. The sarcophagus, which is faced with porphyry and supported by six bronze lions, is sheltered by a lavishly carved stone canopy. The quality of both the materials and workmanship is of the very highest order.

Listing

Grade II (England and Wales)

Year Created

1912

Style

Gothic Revival

History

The mausoleum was erected in memory of Sir Julius Charles Wernher (1850-1912) philanthropist and financier. He was born at Darmstadt, educated at Frankfurt and started work as a diamond buyer in South Africa for Porges, a diamond merchant with offices in both Paris and London. He moved to London in 1884, became a founding partner in the firm of Werher, Beit & Co in 1890, and was made a baronet in 1905.

Condition

Good (2008)

Sources

Concise Dictionary of National Biography, Part II, 1901-1950 (1961).
English Heritage list description



Location

Churchyard of St Charalambos,
Lower Harpenden Road,
East Hyde,
Bedfordshire.
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