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Modern Heritage

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Elevated, defined & reimaged

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Modern Heritage homes are typically adopted as an extension to a classic style, with new architectural additions serving to update the decorative riches and character of period homes. Modern Heritage styles also modernise floor plans, fixtures and fittings, allowing for exposure and revelation of the existing building.

Modern Heritage homes are being reimaged in many elegant ways, making them feel unique whilst retaining a strong sense of history and character. The shared principles of volume, proportion and scale remain, whilst the look, internal flow and feel of the home receives a sympathetic update.



Contrast is the defining element between the old and the new, both in the junctions of architecture and in the use of colour.

The design process for Modern Heritage homes is one of sensitive changes to the original structure. Simultaneously, the new addition removes intricacies and is formed through simplicity and a linear approach. Typically, flat roofs for extensions complement trace historical structures but with closest matching flashings, gutters and barges. Often the incorporation of glazed walls or textured cladding add a modern twist to contrast the original façade. The new extension should juxtapose the heritage building with simpler cornicing and joinery. Complimenting furniture, materials, fixtures and finishes are in keeping with the heritage and character of the original house and should create cohesion between the old and new.

Why now?

- An increased yearning for heritage familiarity and escapism from our unsettled and overstimulated world
- A passion or preserving heritage features whilst embracing modern minimalism and comforts
- The chance to leverage new technology and integrate modern construction codes into heritage architecture
- The opportunity to undertake new renovation and extension projects without moving from heritage properties

- 1 The heritage section of this home, clad in white painted Linea™ Weatherboard, and the modern extension in dark grey Hardie™ Oblique™ Cladding amplifies façade articulation to dramatic effect.
- 2 Clean lines of vertical Hardie™ Oblique™ Cladding and the horizontal Linea™ Weatherboard help to distinguish each section of the home.