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Modern Heritage

Trade Handbook Summary



Axon™ Cladding

Learn how the team behind Working on Walter used **Axon™ Cladding** to create a timeless Modern Heritage home.

Design Features

Contrast is the defining element in Modern Heritage design. Combining the old and the new, the ornate richness of period homes contrasts beautifully with the clean lines and simplicity of modern renovations.

Case Study: Working on Walter

Taking this extension right up to the property boundary required careful consideration. For the team at Working on Walter, Axon™ Cladding was an obvious choice. Not only can it be used as part of a fire rated system, but its slim profile beats brick for narrow blocks, and compliments the Modern Heritage aesthetic.

Flexible roof

The roof style can either match or contrast the existing structure with closest matching flashings, gutters and bargeboards.

Maximised natural light

Ample windows and openings in the extension to address the darkness of older homes.

Cladded exterior

Cladding on the building extension enables design versatility to create distinctly modern looks that juxtapose the heritage front.

Contrasting features

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



‘The new wall needed to align with the existing hallway, so we were restricted in wall thickness. We were able to align the old and the new by using Axon™ Cladding, which is much narrower than a brick or block wall.’

— Elise Weavers, Working on Walter.

Recommended Products

Hardie™ Oblique™ Cladding
Axon™ Cladding
Hardie™ Fine Texture Cladding
Hardie™ Brushed Concrete Cladding



Installation tip

Junction points can be tricky when renovating a heritage home. Axon™ Cladding, with its low profile, allows easy connection to existing weatherboard and a seamless transition from heritage foundation to modern extension. Check out our Joints and Junction guide to find out how.

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1. Design Features

Discover the design features and construction elements to create the Modern Heritage design that your clients are looking for.

2. Installation Tips

The use of multiple exterior materials requires the right joint and junction construction to deliver a seamless facade.

3. Case Study

Find out more on Working on Walter's journey to deliver their Modern Heritage build.

4. Visualise

Explore different designs of Modern Heritage and Hardie™ exterior cladding combinations that suit your client's brief.



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