

Project Showcase



Bronte 'Hamptons Style' Beach House

With the birth of their third child, Rebecca and Andrew needed more room for their growing family. They had been keeping a close eye on the local market for a larger home, but nothing offered the same look, feel and flow as their existing Bronte Bungalow. So, with that in mind, they decided it was time to consider a first floor addition to their home.

While renting in Bronte, prior to purchasing their home, they noticed quite a few Cape Cod projects in the area. 'Cape Cod always seemed to be very quick in completing their jobs, the site always looked clean and well presented and you could stay living in the house whilst the extension was underway. The references from people who had used them were all very complimentary', Rebecca recalls. Cape Cod therefore became the obvious choice when seeking a builder to help them turn their ideas into a reality.

Right from the start, the client's were impressed with the calibre of the staff and the professionalism of this very client centric organisation. When they met with one of Cape Cod's designers, they had a very specific brief in mind, a Hamptons style beach home that seamlessly integrated the look and feel from ground floor through to the first floor addition. The external look of the home was also just as important to them as the internal look & feel, as they didn't want the first floor to look like an afterthought or late add on.

'The designer listened carefully to our ideas, requirements and budget expectations. He was extremely professional, knowledgeable and intuitive. His first design absolutely nailed the brief.'

The first floor addition provides a magnificent parents retreat featuring a master bedroom, WIR and ensuite and is reminiscent of a luxury hotel suite with its separate lounge area and balcony, which creates a traditional Hamptons style look to the front of the house with bonus water views. The generously sized ensuite also echoes this luxury, with a twin shower, recessed shaving cabinets, hung wall vanity and quality fittings. The first floor also includes a guest bedroom/study to complete the story.

'They say "build it and they will come" - well we built it, and our spare bedroom has been full of guests ever since! It's been fabulous.'

Innovative Design meets Growing Family

Michelle and Mitchell always knew they would get a quote from Cape Cod when it was time to renovate their home. Michelle's parents had used Cape Cod back in 1983 to extend her family home, so having experienced working with them first hand, she was able to attest to the quality of their workmanship and had the reassurance that a Cape Cod extension would hold up to the test of time.

'They gave us great ideas to make the rooms flow, and even assisted us with the re-design of a section of the old house that gave us a new separate laundry, it's wonderful and something I thought I would never have.'

Three bedrooms, a generous bathroom and rumpus room were incorporated into the design of the new first floor addition. Cleverly utilizing this space, the designer created the perfect additional living area, separate to the main part of the house. Thus fulfilling the clients hope to create a home that their family could grow into and would accommodate them through the different stages of family life.

The use of innovative design and space considerations to the existing layout of the house saw the incorporation of a separate laundry and the strategic positioning of a modest staircase with maple treads and risers.



Through every stage of the project, the client found Cape Cod's service and the quality of their work faultless, from management through to the trades and office staff. They found them polite, professional and very friendly, making the disruption to their life during this process almost non-existent. Their project supervisor worked closely with them keeping them on track and informed every step of the way, making the whole experience very positive. The project was completed on time and even came in under budget.

'We can't fault the service and result we have achieved. There were no budget blow-outs; in fact the job came in cheaper!'

The transformation of this home is nothing short of amazing. While the result still retains features reminiscent of the original 1969 design, it looks like a modern architecturally designed home built for today's market. The clients love the outcome and use of space through the whole house.

Strong lines reinforce the modern design, giving it a consistent experience from the outside through to the interior style and finishes, with the external rendering of the entire house taking it from a 1969 red brick classic to a 2015 modern masterpiece. The result has truly exceeded all of their expectations.



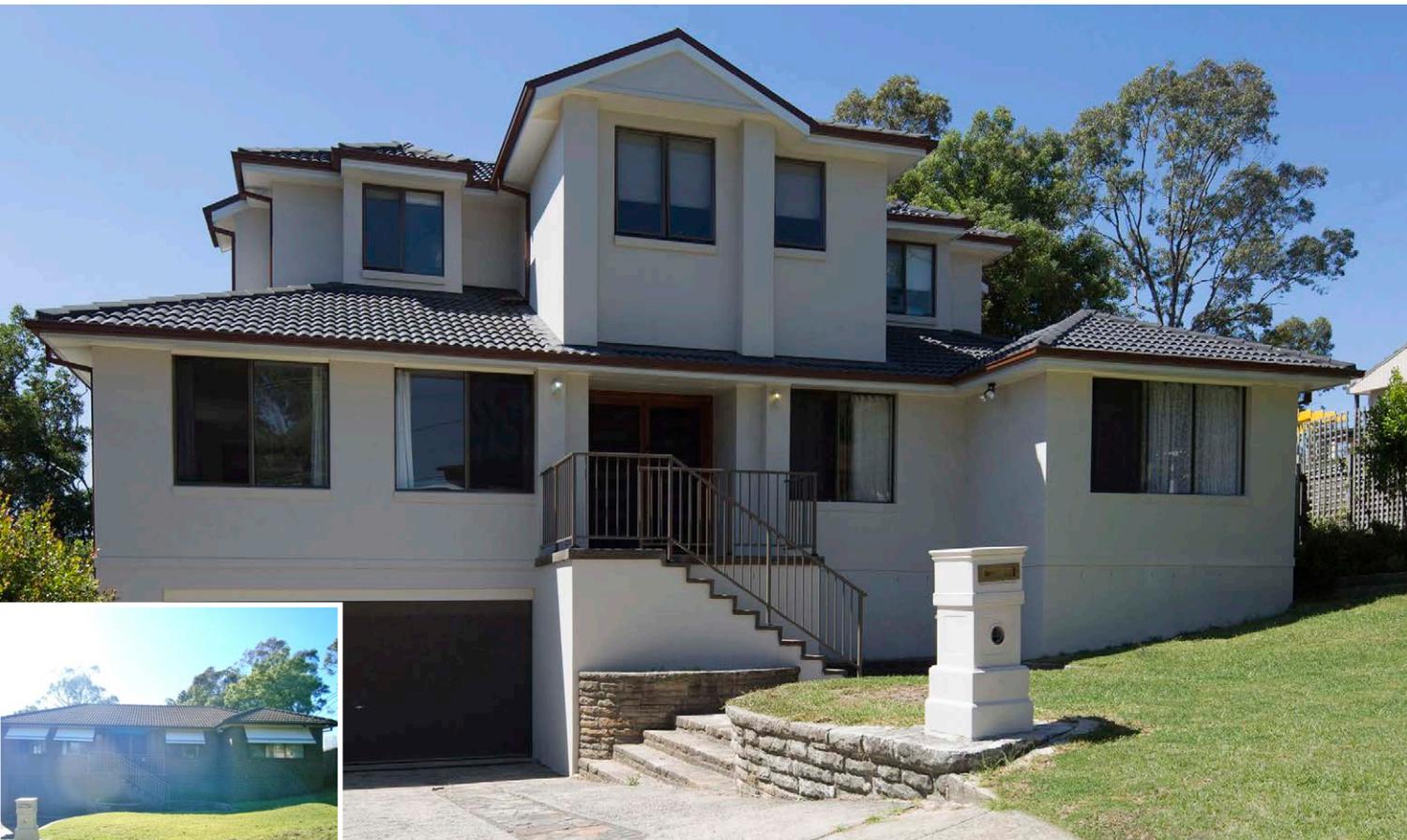
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Elegant Design creates Modern Tri-Level Home



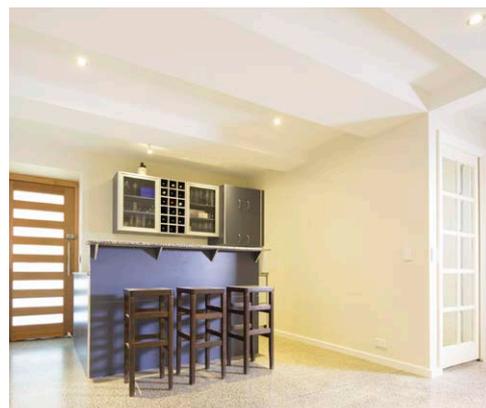
When Sarah and Jose met with one of Cape Cod's designers, they had originally imagined having a total of 4 bedrooms, two bathrooms, a deck, and lots more space. What they ended up with was 6 bedrooms, three bathrooms, more space, a theatre room and cellar for Jose as well as a large deck area off the back of the house.

When designing this extension, the designer really listened to and considered the family's needs, which heavily influenced the final design.

'Our Designer was really patient and considered all our needs.' I guess along the road, I found the design part really easy.'

Cape Cod excavated to create a retreat for Jose, where he can display his collection of memorabilia and wine, and escape to enjoy some quiet time away from family life. The use of multiple bulkheads in the ceiling, create an interesting design feature and together with the polished concrete floor, provide a very unique and desirable environment.

The simple and elegant design and execution of this now three level house speaks for itself, the client's are extremely happy with their new home, exceeding all their expectations. *'We are really enjoying our new home and for someone who drives past our house today for the first time, they would never know that we had added on to our existing house. I wanted it to be bigger, I wanted it to flow and I wanted it to look like it was all supposed to be the one house. Cape Cod delivered on every aspect and much more.'*





Original Mosman Cottage with Modern Comforts

When the owners of this cottage in Mosman found out they were coming home from a seven year overseas posting they thought they would take the opportunity to build something new on their property they had left. The Cottage had been extended onto several times over its hundred year life but nothing really linked or felt right.

The owners sought out a prominent Mosman Architect to design a new home for them, however on stepping onto the block and into the cottage he immediately felt something special could be created with the existing structure. As he was a new home Architect he suggested Cape Cod would be worth chatting to and as they say, the rest is history.

The owners immediately hit it off with their Cape Cod Designer and together came up with a design that maintained the character of the home, provided the owners with all the space they needed and introduced modern comforts in such a way to maintain much of the integrity of the style of the home.

Three new bedrooms, 2 bathrooms and lots of storage were provided in the new addition, giving each child their own Bedroom along with their own study space upstairs which then allowed for a total makeover of the ground floor and basement providing a larger Master bedroom with Ensuite, a Guest Bedroom and Bathroom and a Rumpus Room in the basement.

The Decks leading of the Kitchen/Family room and Rumpus look over the Pool area and Garden integrating the outdoors, while Water tanks have been installed under the bottom Deck to help with Stormwater Detention along with providing water for garden use.

The quality in the home is evident from the Blue Gum Floors and Pool Deck surround, Travertine Floor tiles and Stainless Steel Floor grates, Cedar windows and beautiful Bathrooms, however it was the levelling of the existing floors and straightening of the timber frames and ceilings and the seamless integration of Bathroom floors and Decks with the main floor areas along with the detailed step down into Shower recess's that permeates through the feel of this home.



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The before and after shots show a perfect integration of old and new, the detail of the window hoods and weatherboard along with verandahs and roof lines leave people surprised and astounded of the transition. Neighbours and passersby have been nothing but complimentary of the transition and the sympathetic approach of maintaining its post heritage and street appeal.

This once humble home now stands proudly amongst neighbouring properties in an elite area and would be envied by many who would be proud to call this there home.

