



Before: Single Storey home with 3 Bedrooms, Kitchen, Meals, Living area, Bathroom and Laundry

After: Two Storey Dwelling
 Ground Floor 3 Bedrooms, Kitchen, Meals, Living area, Bathroom and Laundry
 First Floor Master bedroom with ensuite and walk in robe, Retreat.



area closely with the existing feel, the concept of adding a first floor arose.

“We copied the downstairs plans, fixtures and features to the new first floor - to keep the flow,” Tracey said. And kept the flow it has – down to the very last detail.

Taking the stairs to the first floor you are immediately impressed by the modern, clean lines. Breathe in the new master bedroom with ensuite, accommodating floor to ceiling wardrobes and a luxurious parents retreat. The area is semi-open plan with discrete spaces created using partial walls. Proportion is vital in the modern style used in the downstairs extension and then again, in the new addition upstairs. Neutral tones accented with black and white furniture and fixtures make the space really smart. Hi-Lite windows were incorporated into the design to address the overlooking issue and provide brilliant natural light during the day.

From the street, the upper story ties in perfectly with the original home.

The family “... stayed in our home during the extension and the whole process went very smoothly. It felt like it was completed in record time! We were most impressed with the HHE team. They were always so tidy – super clean!” says Tracey.

For the HHE team, it was nice mix of period and modern styles. For Matthew and Tracey, they are looking forward to when the children have grown up, and they have time to enjoy their parents retreat.



Modern Fusion

Family growth usually precedes the decision to extend or renovate. For this family it was no different. When the owners of this superb double fronted Victorian weatherboard purchased the home 10 years ago, the first stage transformation had already taken place.

The previous owners gutted, extended and renovated throughout to establish a wonderful open kitchen / living / dining area at the rear of the home.

This area at the rear provides a welcome modern contrast to the original Victorian style at the front of the home.

Two children later and the family were left without a guest room for interstate family visits...“And we urgently needed a second bathroom as the only toilet was in the bathroom.” A compact backyard meant adding a first floor was the best option to create additional space.

The homeowners looked to Essendon where there is a high density of period homes and noted Hille’s Home Extensions very active in the area. Presenting their ideas, photographs from magazines and the desire to tie the new

