

Timeless Flair

The original 1940's four room clinker brick home was purchased in 1992 by the current owners. It underwent its first extension in 1996, adding two much needed bedrooms at the rear of the residence, sidling a hallway.

The decision to extend and remodel was taken after consideration of the existing investment in the home and area. "We looked at moving to a larger house but by the time we paid agents fees, stamp duty and moved it made more sense to stay and extend."

Maintaining the external charm of the building's façade, the rear of the house including the external hallway wall and patio was demolished. The newly created area includes the kitchen, dining area, vestibule, laundry and the stairwell to the new first floor. Upstairs, a master bedroom with walk in robe and ensuite was fashioned. In the backyard, a free standing studio was erected.

Downstairs, the main living area is overflowing with natural light afforded by the generous glass windows and doors. Using warm colours to bring out the highlights of the natural timber floorboards and furniture, this area establishes a relaxed, comfortable and warm atmosphere. With the fabulous dining table a feature – the dining area has proved to be a clear focal point of the project – for the owners and visitors alike!

The kitchen has been completely remodelled and fitted with modern appliances, making it a highly functional and practical workspace. The wrap-around windows really give the area light and warmth.

The new laundry with built-ins has clean lines, plenty of storage space, and loads of natural light giving it a style not often attributed to one of the smaller rooms in the house.

"We got quotes from other companies but HHE was the most enthusiastic and the price was fair."

A completely new first floor was constructed providing an attractive, spacious master bedroom with ample wardrobe space, an ensuite, and a balcony overlooking the backyard and studio. The upstairs section is fondly referred to by the homeowners as "our haven".

In the back garden, a free standing single room art studio has been built. The materials are in keeping with the main residence and correspond perfectly – it looks as though it has always been there!

For the team at Hille's Home Extensions, the project was as challenging and rewarding as anything they had encountered. For the homeowners, they could not be happier believing that the extension has given their home its own sense of timeless flair.



Before:

Ground floor – three bedrooms, bathroom / toilet, laundry, kitchen / meals, living and dining rooms

After:

Ground floor – two bedrooms, study, guest room, bathroom / toilet, laundry, kitchen, dining and living rooms

First floor – master bedroom with ensuite and walk in robes

Free standing – purpose built studio



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1. Before work commenced 2. Across dining area to kitchen, stairwell to second storey 3. After, from the backyard with purpose built studio in left of photograph 4. Laundry and linen room with plenty of storage space



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