

# Port Phillip

This single-fronted red brick Victorian terrace has undergone a striking modern update to its interior, while retaining period detail. The new extension provides much needed space for the growing family and updates the exterior with a sharp juxtaposition to the traditional façade, all without compromising the charm of the original design.







The heritage-listed home had already undergone a previous upgrade - a ground-floor renovation completed in the eighties. As such, the property was in dire need of an update to comfortably accommodate a family of five. With this in mind, the new project included a ground floor extension, the addition of a first floor and a complete re-imagining of the existing space.

The existing terrace house façade could not be altered, due to its heritage status, however the black zinc clad second storey addition to the property provides a unique counterbalance to the red-brick suburban home, updating the tired exterior with contemporary detail.

The original interior was comprised of a large dining room at the rear of the house, separated by a dividing wall from a small kitchen and family area with no access to the garden. Demolishing the dividing wall opened these areas up considerably and provided garden access to all three, giving the rear of the house a spacious, light-filled and inviting atmosphere.

The new kitchen features a stunning, original 1800s French chandelier, which was restored during the renovation process and dangles from a period ceiling rose. This casts a delicate and elegant light over evening meals - a subtle reminder of the period significance of the home. The kitchen is otherwise sleek and modern, featuring crisp white built-in cabinetry and stainless steel appliances. The island bench and the dining table that extends from it is a unique feature,

one that allows for easy family meals but can also be converted for more formal dining occasions.

Modern, fresh and spacious, this renovation balances the warmth of the historical property with the open and crisp atmosphere of a modern, functional family home.

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