

Classic with highlights

This renovation of a 130-year-old cottage, celebrates that elegant era, but with a twist – painting the upper walls in Resene Bounty played a key role

A great design will always address the principle needs of your home renovation. However, the magic may come in the form of more subtle nuances – for instance, the choice of a beautiful paint surface. This home makeover by designer Donna Hunter reflects just such an attention to fine detail.

"The renovation of this modest 1880s fisherman's cottage included a dramatic reinvention of the bathroom," says Hunter.

The reinvented bathroom includes a sculptural freestanding bathtub, a shower, a wall-hung vanity, a heated towel rail,

and underfloor heating – all with a modern twist, while still keeping the cottage look.

"To recreate the cottage's era I started with patterned floor tiles. These were ideal for the aesthetic the homeowners wanted. We then selected Resene Bounty – a steely blue-grey, patinated for an aged look – for the upper walls. This colour also became the basis for the kitchen and laundry."

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Above: This cottage makeover by Hunter Anderson Architecture includes having the bathroom's upper walls painted in Resene Bounty, a steely blue-grey.