



THE MONIER LOOK

A stylish update

After an extensive and stylish renovation, the Higgins family decided they needed a roof that matched their new home.

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Get the look: A modern touch

Melbourne couple Jen and Brad Higgins know how to renovate – and when they spotted a rundown post-war timber cottage in Heidelberg, they could see its potential.

The house was built in the 1950s, and although it was structurally sound, it was outdated. The couple has three-year-old twin girls and were keen to turn the house into their forever family home.

"It had an old kitchen and brick tiles on the floor," Jen says. "It was horrific. We ripped up the floors in the lounge and dining; we ripped out the laundry; we opened the space up; we built a butler's pantry; we changed the zoning of the bathrooms and created an ensuite for the master.

After six months of intense work, that's when they decided it was time to tackle the roof.

"The roof had not been updated since it was built in the 50s," Jen explains. "The cement tiles were clearly decaying and the roof's colour and quality had worn and it did not look good. They hadn't been maintained and there was lots of dirt and mould – it was horrible."

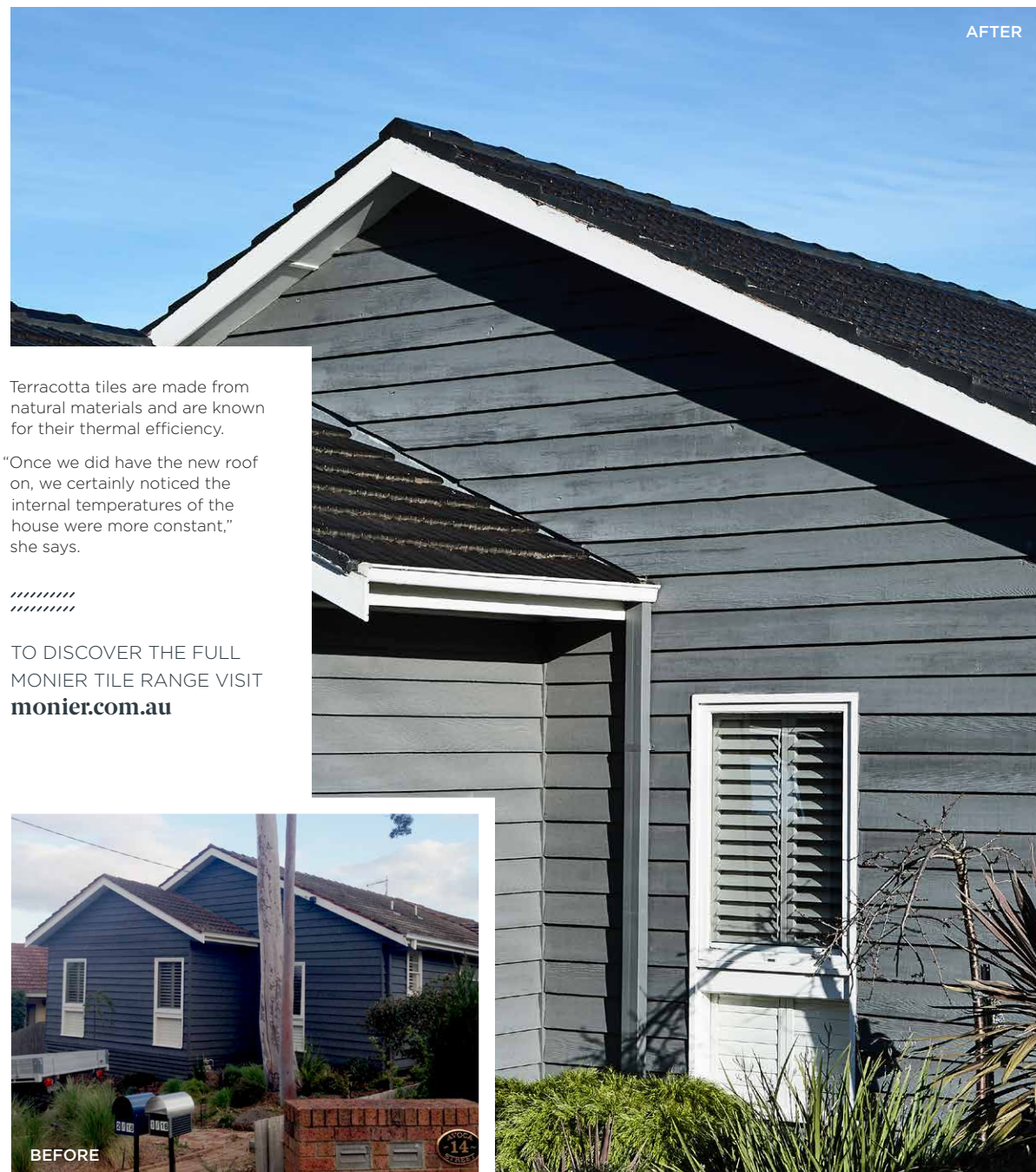
"We had done a lot of work internally and externally and the roof was really bringing down the look of our house. It was kind of just this ugly thing that stuck out. So we decided to invest in a good-looking black tiled roof."

Jen and Brad chose Monier's Nouveau terracotta tiles in Titan, which are incredibly long-lasting – they have a 50-year warranty – and their colour will never fade, ensuring that their good looks will remain. They are also made locally in Melbourne, which is a nice touch.

"We did consider steel as a roofing option, but we thought it just wouldn't work with the look of the house and we didn't want to see the wearing and colour fading like we did with the old roof," Jen said.

Brad's brother runs Higgins Roofing, so they had access to great tilers, which also helped in the decision making.

"The Higgins Roofing tiles guys checked for structural defects and anything that did need to be upgraded and they looked at replacing all the sarking," Jen adds, an addition which helped to insulate the house.



Terracotta tiles are made from natural materials and are known for their thermal efficiency.

"Once we did have the new roof on, we certainly noticed the internal temperatures of the house were more constant," she says.



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- 1 Implementing a modern palette**
Look to implementing a modern palette. Jen and Brad went with a striking monotone colour scheme with charcoal coloured paint on their weatherboard home, offset with crisp white trims.
- 2 Striking front entrance**
Jen wanted to have a striking front entrance and loves her new front door – the Carringbush, from Hume Doors and Timber (humedoors.com.au). "It's a gorgeous front door," she says. "It's white with black handles and in a period style; beautiful."
- 3 Classic roof tiles**
The Noveau terracotta tiles chosen by the Higgins family have a traditional profile that complements the period of the house and showcase the intense colour that Jen wanted.
- 4 Plantation shutters**
These classically styled window coverings from Luxaflex (luxaflex.com.au), work well with period homes, but still add a modern touch.
- 5 Use greenery for contrast**
Evergreen planting against the dark exterior creates a striking contrast that makes a statement.



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Select your tile

Good

CONCRETE ATURA

 C-LOC™ Colour Lock Technology

One of the most versatile and popular concrete roof tiles, with a timeless and enduring look. This classic style roof tile retains an authentic charm that will enhance any modern or period home. Comes standard with C-LOC™ so your roof looks better for longer.



Finish Matte

Roof Pitch Minimum 15°.
Sarking must be used under 20°

Ridging A-line

- Barramundi
- Sambuca

Better

TERRACOTTA NOUVEAU

 COLOUR THAT NEVER FADES

Crafted using raw materials from the Australian landscape, terracotta tiles are moulded by hand in Vermont, Victoria. Nouveau is designed for a modern twist on a classic look. It is sleek and refined, lending itself to modern architecture. The terracotta Nouveau will help you achieve a sophisticated yet contemporary look for your home.



Finish Matte

Roof Pitch Minimum 12°.
Sarking must be used under 20°

Ridging A-line

- Titan
- Peak
- Comet
- Bedrock

All Monier Terracotta tiles are manufactured locally in Victoria, using clay sourced from the Australian earth

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SOLARtile™ has a unique integrated design, so you won't ever compromise the visual appearance of your home. The interlocking nature of SOLARtile™ actually replaces a section of your roof tiles, so they can be laid in any configuration to blend into your roofline. Compatible with Monier's Designer Concrete Range of tiles.



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