

WEISS BUILDERS



Capability Statement

Profile

Nearing two decades of experience, Weiss Builders are the preferred contractor for high quality architectural alterations, additions and new buildings across Melbourne. We deliver projects in the \$1M - \$5M range, with demonstrated experience in challenging and unconventional designs. Every site presents opportunities for us to shine.

“At our core, we are committed to delivering architects and homeowners exceptional services that are characterised by responsiveness, reliability, and a strong focus on quality. We take pride in our ability to celebrate and enhance the unique qualities and individual character of each residence we construct.”

At Weiss Builders, we acknowledge and appreciate the distinct design and intricate detailing of every residential project that undergoes construction with us. We recognise the importance of longevity, ensuring that each space is not only visually appealing but also practical and functional, both internally and externally. We fully grasp the journey required to achieve this desired outcome.

Approach

With a focused and agile approach, we leverage our expertise to foster the emergence of innovative solutions. Our proud history is built on the foundation of constructing exceptional homes. To maintain our high standards we conduct comprehensive research, exploration and prototyping. We meticulously select materials that surpass our clients' expectations, offering superior finish and durability.

Weiss Builders nurtures long-standing relationships and collaborates closely with designers, technicians, engineers, and tradespeople. This partnership ensures that even the most challenging spaces are functional and true to their architectural vision. Our reputation for excellence and integrity stems from our unwavering commitment to clear communication in all aspects of our work.

We don't like surprises unless they concern methods to conserve or preserve. That is why we ensure every element of planning and costing is seen through by experienced teams who understand the importance of accuracy as plans are translated through the construction process.

Our core values revolve around our compact business structure and the security of employment for our team members. We take pride in providing strong oversight of projects and facilitating effective and regular communication across teams and trades. This ensures timely results and upholds our commitment to delivering work of the highest quality.

Pricing

At Weiss Builders, we devote the necessary time to analyse and comprehend each project in order to gain a deep understanding of the unique requirements for success. Our network of reliable tradespeople assess and price key elements to assure accuracy. We firmly believe in transparent and honest pricing, which forms the foundation of a collaborative building journey and fosters long-term relationships.

Sketch Estimates or Opinion of Probable Cost

In the current volatile landscape of construction cost fluctuations, it is highly recommended to obtain an Opinion of Probable Cost (OPC) during the initial sketch design phase. This proactive approach ensures that the project remains on track. We offer this service free of charge to facilitate the smooth progression of projects towards the contract and construction stages.

Consultancy and Early Contractor Involvement

Early Contractor Involvement (ECI) is a valuable option that can be pursued after obtaining an Opinion of Probable Cost. This approach is particularly advantageous for clients who recognise the significant benefits of having close collaboration between the builder and the design team throughout the development process. At Weiss, we offer our expertise and support through ECI for a fixed fee. By engaging our services, we can assist in effectively addressing site and design challenges, provide access to reliable subcontractor costs and advice, and contribute to the refinement or adjustment of overall project costs.

Team



Christopher Weiss
Director

Drawing upon a comprehensive background in industrial design, manufacturing, and project management, Chris establishes and maintains a robust connection between clients, architects, and the construction team. This ensures seamless communication, informed decision-making, and proactive management of any changes that may arise. By fostering effective collaboration, Chris guarantees that projects are delivered as promised, meeting and exceeding expectations.



Jarrod Weiss
Construction Manager

With extensive experience in building and construction, Jarrod boasts a demonstrated track record of delivering exceptional workmanship and showcasing advanced problem-solving abilities. From overseeing the construction process starting from the foundations to meticulously attending to intricate finishing details, Jarrod adopts a comprehensive approach. This holistic perspective guarantees a seamless building experience and ultimately leads to a high-quality result.



Neil Sgroi
Construction Administrator

As a valuable support to the construction team, Neil diligently coordinates and collaborates closely with project architects, ensuring the smooth operation of all behind-the-scenes aspects of our builds. With broad experience in administration and a qualification in building design, Neil possesses the necessary skills to effectively engage with contractors, designers, and the construction team. His expertise allows him to anticipate project requirements and proactively address technical challenges, thereby facilitating seamless progress throughout the construction process.



Amy Phillips
Construction Administrator

In close collaboration with both the construction team and our project architects, Amy plays a pivotal role in ensuring the efficient administration of our builds. With a background in business analysis, project management, and a qualification in engineering, Amy possesses a comprehensive skill set that uniquely qualifies her to oversee end-to-end project delivery with seamless precision. Her expertise enables her to effectively manage the various aspects of the project, ensuring a smooth and successful construction process from start to finish.

Site

Construction

We prioritise maintaining a high level of quality control on all our projects through the dedicated presence of a site supervisor. To ensure exceptional results, we exclusively collaborate with trusted and experienced contractors, with whom we have forged strong and effective working relationships. At the heart of our construction process lies our team of skilled and experienced carpenters.

Safety

At Weiss Builders, workplace safety holds significant importance, which is evident through our impeccable safety record. We are diligent in staying up to date with Occupational Health and Safety laws and regulations.

Environment

Weiss Builders is an environmentally responsible builder. We practice and can report on:

- Waste sorting and recycling to minimise landfill.
- Selecting raw materials that come from renewable sources i.e. plantation timbers.
- Use of sustainably managed and certified Victorian native forest timber or certified plantation timber.
- Maintaining up-to-date information regarding sound environmental building practices.

Weiss Builders have deep experience in finding building solutions and applying expertise to complex and challenging architect driven projects.

New builds
Additions
Alterations
Renovations



Helvetia

Architect: Austin Maynard Architects
Type: Alterations & Additions
Completed: 2022

This double storey Victorian terrace in Fitzroy had undergone several transformations throughout its lifetime. A renovation and extension in the 1980's left it as two apartments with a series of dark disconnected rooms. Maintaining the existing footprint and exterior façade, the entire house was largely stripped and rebuilt from the inside. Extensive structural works were required to facilitate the removal of two rooms in the centre of the house to create a double height atrium, now the centrepiece of this family home.



KAA Family House

Architect: Karen Abernethy Architects
Type: Alterations & Additions
Completed: 2021

This freestanding Victorian home in Fitzroy North was stripped back to the original front four rooms, now the parent's wing. A new light-filled extension to the rear with dramatic vaulted ceilings speaks to the scale and form of the original house while providing function and amenity to the family that now call this house their home. A spacious living zone with direct connections to the outdoors leads through to a suite of four bedrooms providing individual sanctuaries, equipped with mezzanine sleeping spaces, study areas and a bathroom.



Oak House

Architect: Kennedy Nolan Architects
Type: Alterations & Additions
Completed: 2018

A generous double storey extension has been added to this Fitzroy North home. Large steel windows and a full length bank of louvres allow for ample light and fresh air to flood the space, while the inclusion of a custom brise soleil controls heat gain. A green roof built on a suspended slab provides for an exposed concrete ceiling to the sunken living area below. Indoor and outdoor areas transition seamlessly with natural coloured render and terracotta tiles used both internally and externally.



Kagan House

Architect: Kennedy Nolan Architects
Type: Alterations & Additions
Completed: 2017

The extensive renovation of this modernist home remains sympathetic to the original design with much of the existing façade remaining unchanged, and only small increase to the building footprint. Hemlock diamond clad joinery adds bold texture and warmth to a refined and playful material palette. The addition of a below ground cellar and swimming pool were a challenge on this steep allotment with difficult access. The project features 6kW solar system with battery storage.



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