



# Housing Style

## Interwar Houses Generally

Various styles of housing emerged in this period between the First and Second World Wars and include the 'Queenslander' and other later houses sometimes called Bungalows and 'Ashgrovians'.

According to architect Ron Tanton gable and hip roofs of corrugated iron dominate and these houses featured decorative batted roof gable front walls, flat roofed square bay windows with leadlight casement windows and timber shingle cladding below sills.

### **Distinctive features included:**

Paired verandah posts short in height atop weatherboard or roughcast render on timber framed fibro panel piers.

Smaller side verandahs off particular rooms began to appear. They utilized very flat galvanized iron roofs rolled at regular intervals over timber sub structure battens.

Houses were set high or low on timber stumps. Timber floors walls and structural framing was used. Decorative cut barge board ends featured.

Sometimes rafter ends were exposed at eaves overhangs.

Timber vertical boarded balustrades appeared.

Decorative sub floor batten screens were utilized between timber stumps at the outer edges of the homes.

Front elevations were mostly asymmetrical front elevations with combinations of gables or hip and gable roofs.

Double top rail, vertical batted timber fencing appeared at the streetfront.

'Asymmetrical Entrance' and sometimes 'Central Entrance' to a verandah or porches was utilized.

Art Nouveau influenced verandah post brackets emerged.

Simple galvanized metal sheeted and timber framed window hoods were built over windows where no other eaves protection existed.

Tall imposing stepped vertical timber batten stair balustrade to front entry stairs was common.

Sometimes southern style bungalows emerged with terracotta roofs and with decorative gable beams projecting under gable eaves overhangs.

'Roughcast' render walls, wall panels and fence posts feature on some homes.

Tongue and groove vertical jointed single sided wall boarding remained as internal walls with structural timber framing exposed on the reverse side.