



**TRADITIONAL
TIMBER FRAMES**

Building Design Questionnaire

CLIENT INFORMATION

Name

Email

Phone

Site Address

General

What level of service are you interested in?

Concept Design

Full Building Design

Building Design and DA Documentation

Working Drawings and Construction Certificate Details

Is the project a new build, renovation, extension, addition, or something else?

Are any outbuildings part of the scope of work?

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If you are renovating or extending an existing structure, do you have blueprints of the current building?

Yes

No

Is the project a primary residence or a secondary property?

Yes

No

Will the project be your home or for resale?

Home

Resale

If it is to be your home, are you concerned about resale value?

Yes

No

Who will live in or use the property?

Have you ever built or renovated a home before?

Yes

No

Please tell us about your current home. Describe the features you like most.

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What do you like least about your current home?

Please tell us about the spaces in your current home. Is there too much of one area or is there anything lacking?

What do you want most in a home?

Is there anything you definitely don't want in a home?

What do you most want your designer to understand about you and your space?

Lifestyle and Family

Please tell us briefly about yourselves.

What are your careers or primary activities?

What are you passionate about? What inspires you?

What leisure activities are important to you? How can your home support these activities?

Are there any work activities that relate to your home? If so, can they best be accommodated?

Are there other priorities in your life which can be supported at home, and what is required to do so?

If this is, or will be, your primary residence, what proportion of your time do you spend there?

If this is, or will be, a secondary residence, how much time will be spent there, at what time of year, and do you plan to rent it out at all?

Do you have friends or family members who will stay for long periods of time?

Do you have, or anticipate in the future, an elderly family member living with you?

Is there anyone in the family with a disability or anything else which can be supported?

How much time and energy are you willing to invest to maintain your home?

Styles and Finishes

Will a Traditional Timber Frame be a major design element in your project?

Yes

No

Are there architectural styles that you like, or want to know more about? Is there anything particular that appeals to you in these styles?

Examples:

Contemporary, Japanese, Mediterranean, Medieval, Industrial, French country, Minimalist, Art deco, Scandinavian, Rustic, Victorian, Lodge/American

Do you have any ideas or strong opinions about design for the home?

Are there any natural or artificial lighting qualities you would like to include in the building?

What is the quality of sound you would like?

Are ceiling heights important to you? Are there any particular spaces you would like to feel more airy or cosy?

Please indicate your materials preferences below:

Timber	Stone
Plastic/Laminate	Glass
Tile	Concrete
Carpet	Render/Stucco
Metal	Brick
Straw/hemp	Clay/earth
Other	

Are there any other specific interior or exterior building materials that you would either like to incorporate or eliminate in the construction of your building?

Are there particular colors that you love? Do you like things bright, colorful, muted, neutral, or earthy?

Is there a specific item, place, person, or concept that sparks your imagination?

Site - Views and Neighbours

Please describe the location the building will be constructed? (slope, vegetation, neighbouring buildings, boundaries)
If you have an existing site plan please email it to us.

Are there any important views or site aspects which must be considered?

Are there any views that you want to achieve or avoid from any particular space?

How would you like to connect your indoor and outdoor spaces?

Are there any natural features on your site that it is important to view, enhance, protect, or experience?

Are you aware of any restrictions that need to be considered? (bushfire zone, easements, envelope limits)

Are there any access restrictions to the site? (steep slopes, overhanging trees, narrow carriageway, high traffic, driveway surface)

Environmental

Would you like to optimise your home to achieve any environmental or sustainability standards?

Are there any issues regarding health and wellbeing that you would like to address? Are you concerned about embodied energy, VOCs, material lifecycle, air quality?

Would you like to include any of the following sustainability features in your building?

Solar Power +/- Battery Storage

Energy Efficiency

Passive Design

Super-Insulation

Rainwater Harvesting

Grey Water Recycling

Composting Toilets

Local and sustainable building materials

Natural building methods

Permaculture and Internal gardens

Green roof/wall systems

Functions

On a scale of 1-5, where 1 is unimportant and 5 is vital, please rate the value of the following in your home:

Music

Literature

**Television/
Cinema**

Cooking

Entertaining

**Outdoor
Living**

Gaming

Would you prefer a single- or multi-level home?

Where in your home do people tend to gather or spend time?

What sorts of private spaces are most utilised in your home? What sorts of private spaces would you like to include in your ideal home?

What sorts of activities are important in your home, which require spaces to undertake them?

What kinds of spaces would you say you need, and how many of them?

What kinds of relationships between spaces are important to you, or would you like to include in your ideal home?

Are there particular outdoor spaces that are important to you?

Features

Is there a size or floor area you are aiming for?

Do you own any equipment which needs to be planned for or accommodated?

Do you own any furniture, art, or other items which need to be planned for or accommodated?

Are there any architectural features that you would like included in the design?

Budget and Project

Are there any time constraints on the project?

What is your overall budget figure?

Have you thought about a general budget for construction, permits, fees, site and utility work, professionals including Survey, Design/Drafting and Engineering, contingency?

What is your preferred method of communication with your designer?

Who are the stakeholders in the project?

Who will be the primary contact person?

Finally

We would like to see a scrapbook of ideas, items, designs, styles, and pallettes that encompass the idea of what you would like to create.

What questions do you have for us?

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