



## As old as the hills

### SPECIFICATIONS

**Project:**

Private Residence

**Architectural & Construction Services:**

David Cheney Pty Ltd

**Stone:**

Kanmantoo Bluestone, South Australia

**Location:**

Adelaide Hills, South Australia

Nestled deep in the Adelaide Hills, this superb new home built by David Cheney features 750 square metres of Kanmantoo Bluestone.

David who describes himself as “a specialist period home builder”, pointed out that his prime objective is to “make something new look old. In saying that, we are aware that while we are building a home which looks like it was built in the 19th century, we are providing a 21st century amenity.”

Back in the late 19th century there were upwards of a dozen elegant homes scattered throughout the rolling Adelaide hills with characteristics that closely resemble this property.

This charming residence which covers 1,800 square metres, has been built with meticulous attention to detail. David Cheney explained, “I have built over 100 dwellings and I am always searching for authenticity.

In this instance, Kanmantoo Bluestone is the essential ingredient in the mix. It’s a classic Adelaide stone which has proven qualities because its use can be traced back to some of the original period homes that still exist. This particular stone has all the colours of the local environment in its makeup.”

“The stone connects directly with its surrounds. Its colours are the colours of the earth and the trees which cover the landscape. The stone literally lives, particularly in a hills environment.”

Bernard Clifford of Kanmantoo Bluestone took particular care in sorting the material, in terms of colour and size.

David Cheney commented, “The authenticity of the stone has to be complimented by the pointing and lining, which needs to look original.” 

