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## California dreaming with modern melody

In a quiet street with easy access to Northcote Plaza, this three-bedroom residence has been given a masterful, modern makeover, resulting in a house readymade for a family and elegant entertaining.

The main problem with many period residences is the lack of natural light. Not so here, because extended glazing and an ingenious floor plan ensure all areas maximise the health-giving benefits of the daylight hours.

Accessible through bi-fold glass doors from the lovely living and dining zone, the rear deck is an alfresco entertainer's paradise. Half-roofed and impressively illuminated, this jarrah-floored deck overlooks low-maintenance lawn bound by beds of hardy exotics.

Fir trees along the back fence assure privacy, and the remote-control garage is preceded by plenty of off-street parking.

Central to the floor plan, the flow-through kitchen has granite benchtops and integrated Blanco appliances. Chic, creamy cabinetry is complemented by an extensive glass-tiled splashback.

Floored throughout in highly polished timber, the residence has a colour scheme also tastefully consistent in frost and cream.

Three generous bedrooms make for ample, appealing sleeping quarters. Overlooking the front garden, the main bedroom is bright and beautiful, with a full bank of built-in wardrobes and a sophisticated ensuite.

Mirroring the finishes of the en-

suite, the main bathroom is accessible through the open laundry area and accommodates a glass shower, separate bath and a big square basin atop a CaesarStone vanity.

The second bedroom, complete with built-in wardrobes, enjoys veranda aspects, while the third has a fireplace beneath a rich, carved timber mantle.

Fresh as a daisy in frost and teal blue, the weatherboard Californian bungalow facade retains the hallmark, columned veranda, recently re-floored in delightful jarrah.

Open, low-maintenance and illuminated by groovy post lighting, the front garden incorporates lawn and pebbled areas.

Completed by an alarm, watering

system and split-system heating and cooling, this Californian boasts its own little bit of Hollywood in glamorous, downtown Northcote. BYO bling!

### At a glance

**20 Oamaru Street, Northcote**

**BEDROOMS** Three

**BATHROOMS** Two

**LIVING AREAS** Light-filled, open-plan living and dining areas

**THE REST** Flow-through kitchen, laundry, veranda, jarrah entertainment deck, low-maintenance garden, abundant off-street parking and garage

**PRICE** \$800,000 plus

**AUCTION** April 26 at 1pm

**AGENT** Moss Real Estate Northcote, call 9489 3333