

Beyond EXPECTATIONS

A RENOVATION WITH RESULTS THAT ARE OVER AND ABOVE

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Marais 4 Architects prides itself not only on its design of new buildings and prime residences, but also on the more challenging alterations and renovations of existing buildings. For this project the firm was commissioned to renovate and modernise an old existing Tuscan residence and turn it into a dream home for this family. Having purchased an open stand next to the existing home, the client wanted to add two more garages and a new feature covered entrance. Marais 4 Architects not only gave the home a facelift, but in keeping with the client's brief, it also created a new entertainment area around the splash pool.



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According to this home owner, the actual outcome of their massive renovation went beyond what they expected. "What we saw on the 3D plans is an understatement of how the finished product looks." The owners credit the exceptional results to having hired a great architectural firm, and it is no wonder that

ABOVE: cmsTV was responsible for the home automation, integration of smart products and lighting throughout this home. The company planned and installed the indoor and outdoor lights and installed the smart-home products including the motion sensors, smart switches and Wi-Fi network set-up. cmsTV specialises in home automation, audio and visual, strip lights and fibre optic lighting.



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RIGHT AND BELOW: The Trellidor Johannesburg North franchise custom-made and installed an aluminium roller shutter in matt sand upstairs at the entrance to the bedroom area. When closed and locked, this shutter is an extremely strong barrier. It creates a safe zone and provides protection from intruders. The shutter is fully automated and can be remote-controlled as well. It is fitted with an easy-to-use manual override system in case of a power failure and a motion sensor is included for safety purposes.



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their advice to future home owners is to "appoint a reputable principal architect to oversee the construction of the property". By doing this, the family has ended up with a home that is timeless in its appearance and one that they can truly enjoy for years to come.

To accommodate all their needs and desires, the owners purchased the open stand next to their existing property and through careful planning and meticulous execution, a modern architectural feat was born.

The renovated property offers these residents ample space, sufficient natural light – which was a requirement

– and an entertainment area positioned around the splash pool that caters for hassle-free entertaining.

Some of the favourite spaces in and around the home include the entertainment centre, the man cave as well as the patio, swimming pool area, panhandle's driveway and the garden, which offer these residents a pleasant view of the surroundings.

Also a result of the renovation is the creation of a "smart home". "Some of the automation features include lights automatically switching on at sunset and switching off at sunrise, and the automation can be >



controlled via a smart handset.”

When it came to the treatment of the interior spaces, the owners opted for earthy colours and simple yet beautiful furnishings. “Our interior style is fairly modern but we haven’t gone too big on modernisation as things change fast. As things change, by keeping things simple, we will be able to keep up with trends and the changing times.” 🏡

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