

Irving

Irving is a four-bedroom house at 3A Irving Road, Toorak, completed in 2005 at a value of $7M. The house was designed by Michael McCorm for Max and Judy Freader, who asked for a builder able to deliver a home in the Tuscan manner they had come to know through years of travelling in Italy. McCorm's plan sets formal and informal living areas around a central stone tower and arched entry, with 3.2-metre ceilings, concrete floors and solid brickwork inside and out. Baracon managed the project and built it. The front door is a traditional wooden antique, and the kitchen was designed in detail with the owners, with each element specified to match the joinery and stone. Below the house, a basement holds parking for eight cars and a large storage area, reached by a ramp finished in local stone. The stonework to the street frontage and driveway took three stonemasons three weeks, each stone placed and matched by hand. The house has two paved courtyards, one in the European manner and a grassed garden behind, and the build was completed in twelve months against an eighteen-month budget.

PROJECT LOCATION
3A Irving Road, Toorak VIC

PROJECT YEAR
2005

STATUS
Completed

BARACON'S ROLE
Project Management and Builder