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SWEET PETITE

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While planning the extension of their Melbourne cottage, the owners had a fairly straightforward brief for the laundry: a light, bright, functional space that paid homage to the original home and its petite size. “The new laundry is compact and conveniently located in a hideaway nook next to the family bathroom,” says Mikayla Rose, principal designer at Heartly. Her favourite element of the design? “We used the arch motif, which is characteristic of Victorian cottages, and created an arch that spans the hallway, then continues across the face of the joinery panels in the laundry.”

ROOM NOTES (24) American white oak veneer joinery in Dulux Natural White Half, VP Surface Solutions. Internal cupboards in White Linen laminate, Laminex. Splashback in Inax ‘Nuance NY51’ mosaic tiles, Artedomus. Silestone benchtop in Blanco Zeus, Cosentino Australia. Phoenix Tapware ‘Vivid Slimline’ gooseneck sink mixer. Franke ‘Kubus’ undermount sink, E&S. Polished-concrete floor by ACS Builders. Walls painted Dulux Natural White Half.

ROOM NOTES (25) Argo Black marble benchtop, handmade Moroccan tiles (splashback), and Giudecca terrazzo floor tiles, all Worldstone. Joinery in Polytec Maroso Milan. Franke undermount sink, Winning Appliances. Astra Walker ‘Icon+’ lever mixer. W1 front-loading washing machine in Lotus White and T1 heat-pump tumble dryer in Lotus White, both Miele. **ROOM NOTES (26)** Nero Marquina floor tiles and Carrara marble benchtops, Teranova. Custom American-oak joinery, Greg Natale Design. Wever & Ducre ‘Hexo’ ceiling lights, Est Lighting. V-Zug ‘Adora’ appliances, Winning Appliances. Schock ‘Virtus’ onyx bowl sink, Abey. Pull-out clothes hamper and Ironfix drawer-mounted ironing board (hidden), Häfele. Door handles and joinery pulls, Pittella. Walls painted Dulux Timeless Grey.

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DOUBLE DUTY

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A note of luxe glamour is at play in this multitasking Sydney laundry, which doubles as a bathroom. Just as intended. While the domain called for high functionality, it was not to feel cold and sterile. “Inspiration came from a reflection of the home’s other spaces,” says interior designer Bianca Fraser. Deliciously dark and moody, the room has an Argo Black marble benchtop balanced by tactile timber-look cabinetry, a Moroccan-tiled splashback, aged-brass fixtures and terrazzo flooring. “The laundry accentuates the sumptuous elements in the home while combining playful textures,” says Bianca.

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CLEAN SLATE

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The dramatic lines of the interior architecture in this Brisbane home continue in a spacious laundry, where arched doors and brass hanging rails reference the details elsewhere. A practical layout offers abundant storage behind floor-to-ceiling cupboard doors and the extensive marble-topped bench areas handle multiple tasks. The materials palette flows through from the rest of the house, with Nero Marquina marble floor tiles, dark timber joinery, Carrara marble benchtops and brass accents. A sense of quiet luxury pervades this hard-working area and the flawless finishes take it to another level. ►