



AUCKLAND

Bayview

CASE STUDY

PROJECT DETAILS

Location

32 James Street,
Bayview, Auckland

Project Type

Bathroom renovation

Site Context

Rental property

Architectural Designer

Chris Ross, Paul Brown
Architects

Builder

DIY

FEATURED PRODUCTS

- ARChitectural™
Invibe™ Panel
- Invibe™ 6mm
Aluminium Wet Area
Jointer

The owner of a rental property in Bayview, Auckland was seeking a low maintenance solution for a bathroom renovation.

OVERVIEW

Invibe panel provided both durability and a lustrous coloured look for the bathroom, which was previously unsuitable for a rental situation.

The materials met all of the owner's requirements including achieving the lowest maintenance solution and highest grade finish possible.

THE CHALLENGE

Chris Ross is both the client and architect behind this bathroom renovation project. A Senior Draughtsperson for Paul Brown Architects, Ross designed the bathroom makeover and installed the panels himself. Despite his previous experience incorporating James Hardie products into his designs, the DIY project was not without its challenges.

THE JAMES HARDIE SOLUTION

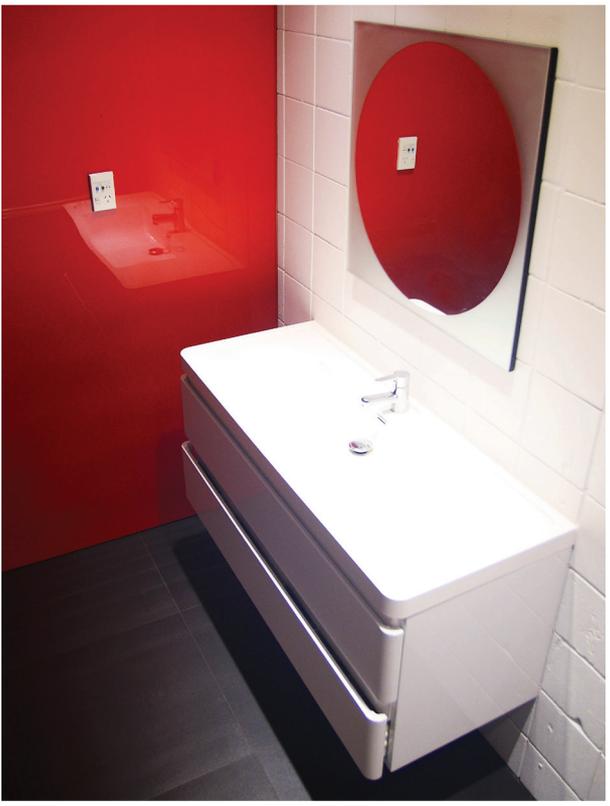
Invibe panel and jointers were applied to the interior bathroom walls.

The coating provides an impervious surface barrier to moisture, and the cement-composite substrate is resistant to damage from moisture, providing a double shield of durability.

"It also provided the added bonus of adding a splash of colour to the bathroom."

Ross selected gloss panels in Rouge and Stone for an "on trend" finish. "The gloss finish not only provides a modern, industrial-feel to the bathroom, it has actually increased light levels in the area," says Ross.





INVIBE™ PANEL

Are pre-finished panels made from premium fibre cement, they are characterised by a range of lustrous colours. Invibe panels are produced using UV coating technology, making them stain, steam and moisture resistant.



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Invibe panel is also quick to install as it does not require a base substrate for installation. The panel can be silicone butt-jointed or installed with the ARCHitectural range of aluminium mouldings.

Ross worked with James Hardie representatives to modify the installation to suit the project better.

“The challenge I faced was how to finish the vertical jointer neatly at the top edge of the panels. The solution

was to use a timber profile to cap the top of the panel and notch the back to receive the vertical jointer. This solution achieved a crisp edge against the Invibe panel and meant the Invibe panel could be installed much more easily.”

Ross concludes that, “while it lends itself well to an industrial-type application it is an amazing product to have in my home and I would recommend it to all types of clients.”