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All trussed up

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This project involved salvaging the front 1.5 rooms from a crumbling semi-detached house in a heritage area. The subsequent rebuild on a tight site allowed for a super-compact 4-bedroom, 3-bathroom home with a basement and generous living spaces under an industrially trussed roof. The rebuild saw a semi re-imagined as a home to suit a young, growing family. The roof was lifted up to the north, a main bedroom suite located on the rooftop and incised lightwells flood the ground floor bedrooms with light and cross ventilation.

Located toward the rear of the house under the newly trussed roof, the kitchen hugs the perimeter of the open plan room with a dining table at the centre and the living room connected to the garden. A dynamic, warm and informal palette of recycled timber, exposed steel and stained birch plywood cabinets provide the backdrop to the central freestanding cooker. The open shelves allow the owners to add colour and display their own objects in the room. When not in use as a workstation for busy family life, the kitchen sits comfortably as another piece of furniture in the entire space.

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FINISHINGS
Benchtop and floors are recycled blackbutt. Overhead cupboards and open shelves are blackbutt veneer and underbench and pantry cupboards are birch plywood, made by Featherwood Furniture. Splashback is finished with white gloss tiles with charcoal grout.

FIXED & FITTED
Mixer tap is an Inox Sink Mixer from KWC/Cass Brothers. Freestanding Nostalgie upright cooker in matt and chrome, and concealed rangehood from Ilve. Integrated dishwasher from Asko. Rome flat-fronted sink from Aurora/Cass Brothers. Stainless steel fridge from Electrolux.

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