



ST KILDA, MELBOURNE · RESIDENTIAL ARCHITECTURE · ADDARC

St. Kilda Residence

A refined urban sanctuary in Melbourne's inner south, where the ev80 external venetian redefines the modern facade.



ARCHITECT

Addarc

BUILDER

LBA Construction Group

SHADING

Evaya ev80

PHOTOGRAPHY

Kaye



PROJECT NARRATIVE

A New Language for the Urban Facade

Nestled in Melbourne's inner south, the St. Kilda Residence is a masterwork of restraint and precision. Designed by Addarc and built by LBA Construction Group, the home presents a bold yet considered facade to the street, a composition of rammed earth tones, vertical stone columns, and the quiet rhythm of the Evaya ev80 external venetian blinds.

The project's defining gesture is its relationship with the street boundary: a long, low stone wall and lush planting create a threshold between the public realm and the private sanctuary within. Above, the ev80 blinds, specified in a warm bronze finish, integrate seamlessly into the facade's material palette, their 80mm slats echoing the proportions of the stone coursing and timber joinery.

Inside, the home opens to a central courtyard garden, drawing light deep into the plan. The ev80 blinds serve a dual purpose: as an architectural element that gives the facade its distinctive texture, and as a precision environmental control system that manages heat, glare, and privacy across the home's most exposed elevations.

"The blinds give the facade its rhythm — they are as much a structural element as they are a functional one."

— Addarc



INTERIOR — PIANO ROOM WITH EV80 BLINDS



WEST ELEVATION — EVAYA EV80 EXTERNAL VENETIAN BLINDS · ST. KILDA RESIDENCE

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Precision Control of Light, Heat and Privacy

The ev80 external venetian blind system was specified for the St. Kilda Residence to address the home's challenging solar orientation. The north-facing living spaces receive intense afternoon sun in summer, while the east-facing bedrooms require early morning glare control without sacrificing the connection to the courtyard garden.

The ev80's 160° tilt range allows residents to incrementally modulate the quality of light entering each room throughout the day. From room darkening to dappled filtering, the slats respond to the sun's arc with a precision that no internal blind or curtain can match.

At the St. Kilda Residence, both Wire Guides and Side Channels were utilised as the means of anchoring the ev80 blinds to their surrounds. Wire guides, using 316 marine grade stainless steel coated in UV-stable PVC, provide minimal visual obstruction on select elevations, while extruded aluminium side channels deliver high-performance wind stability on the primary street-facing facade. Together, they represent the full breadth of the ev80's anchoring capability.

160°

Full tilt range
widest in the Evaya range

75%

Solar heat reduction
vs. internal blinds

5400mm

Max width and height
for large-scale glazing



EV80 FACADE DETAIL — WIRE GUIDE & SIDE CHANNEL SYSTEMS



Closed · Open · Raised

The ev80 external venetian blind system offers three distinct operational states, each transforming the character of the facade and the quality of light within.



CLOSED

Slats closed — maximum privacy, room darkening and solar blackout.

OPEN

Slats tilted — filtered light, reduced glare, maintained views.

RAISED

Blinds fully retracted — complete transparency, unobstructed views.



"Both wire guides and side channels were deployed at St. Kilda — each chosen for where they would perform best, together delivering a facade of precision and restraint."

— Evaya

ANCHORING SYSTEMS

Guidance & Anchorage

Wire Guides and Side Channels — both systems specified at St. Kilda.

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wire guides

Effective anchoring with minimal visual obstruction.

Wire guides are an effective means of anchoring ev80 external venetians while providing minimal visual obstruction. High quality 316 marine grade stainless steel wire is utilised, coated with a UV-stable PVC sheath to prevent interference and friction with the slat surface.

A unique attachment system fastens the wire to the headrail, with numerous options available as anchoring or termination points, including deck plates and stand offs. The result is a clean, uninterrupted facade line when the blinds are raised, preserving the architectural intent of the building.

The slats at St. Kilda were specified in a custom powder coat finish — RAL 7048 Mouse Grey Pearl — a warm, pearlescent colour selected by Addarc to complement the residence's natural stone and rammed earth palette.

- 316 Marine Grade SS wire with UV-stable PVC coating
- Deck plates, stand offs and custom termination options
- Minimal profile — disappears into the facade when raised
- Suitable for openings up to 5,400 × 5,400 mm

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side channels

High performance wind stable systems.

Where stable and refined operation is required, side channel guidance systems deliver superior performance. Zamac side pins are machine-riveted to the slats and engage into extruded aluminium channels, each fitted with a keder insert to minimise friction, resistance and resonance.

Available in Types A through F plus a Shroud option, side channels can be specified in a full range of RAL and powder coat colours to integrate seamlessly with any facade palette.

At St. Kilda, the side channel extrusions were powder coated to match the custom slat finish — RAL 7048 Mouse Grey Pearl — ensuring a cohesive appearance across the full guidance system.

- Zamac side pins machine-riveted to slats for precision fit
- Keder insert minimises friction, resonance and wear
- Types A – F + Shroud — full suite of channel profiles
- Custom colour: RAL 7048 Mouse Grey Pearl (this project)
- Full RAL and powder coat colour range available











CUSTOM FINISH: RAL 7048 MOUSE GREY PEARL · ST. KILDA RESIDENCE

TECHNICAL
SPECIFICATIONS

ev80

Slat Width	80 mm
Slat Profile	Concave / Convex
Maximum Width	5,400 mm
Minimum Width	650 mm
Maximum Height	5,400 mm
Max Square Area	16 m ²
Tilting Range	160°
Room Darkening	Yes
Blockout	No
Motor Operation	Yes
Manual Operation	No
Wire Guidance	316 Marine Grade SS
Side Channel	Yes
Slat Support	Ladderbraided
Rolled Edge Slat	Yes

STANDARD COLOUR RANGE

	Matte Black		Black
	Bronze		Dark Silver
	Graphite		Monument
	Shale Grey		Silver
	Surfmist		White Matt

EV80 PROJECT DETAILS



CLOSE-UP — EV80 WIRE GUIDE



PROJECT CREDITS

PROJECT

St. Kilda Residence

BUILDER

LBA Construction Group

LOCATION

St Kilda, Melbourne, VIC

EXTERNAL SHADING

Evaya ev80

TYPE

Residential — New Build

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ARCHITECT

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FINISH

Custom Colour RAL 7048 Mouse Grey Pearl