

The Early Bungalow

The Early Bungalow is characterised by a simple, yet elegant facade with minimal ornamentation. The main features are as follows:

- (a) A raised timber floor supported by sleeper walls, brick piers or timber posts.
- (b) Walls of lath and plaster infill, although sometimes timber boarding over timber framing has been used.
- (c) High-hipped roofs supported on tall plinths to allow broad, open verandahs to be located under the wide eaves.
- (d) Roof materials are of overlapping V-profile clay tiles.
- (e) In plan, the houses are compact, symmetrical and divided into three bays, or sometimes five, along the front with the entrance along the central axis.
- (f) Verandah with timber balustrades.
- (g) Fenestrations of adjustable timber shutter to control lighting and ventilation.
- (h) A series of broad brick steps, leading from ground to verandah level, for some houses.
- (i) Minimal ornamentation restricted to fascia board, window and door transoms, balustrades and the stilts.

