



Typical details

Classical Revival Style, ca. 1895-1920

Typical characteristics:

- Square or rectangular plan.
- Clapboard or brick exterior and limestone foundation.
- Gable, hip, or gambrel roof, often with dormers.
- Symmetrically-organized facade.
- Windows are usually rectangular, often with one-over-one or two-over-two sash.
- A porch with single or paired classical columns.
- A three-part window, usually in a dormer or above the entry.
- Original color schemes were often white, cream, yellow or gray.



Classical Revival Style houses were very popular with builders in turn-of-the-century Hastings. Steeply-pitched hip or gable roofs, a broad front porch with columns are standard features, as are three-part windows in gable ends, and oval windows with simple trim were also popular.

With its many white classical buildings, the World's Columbian Exposition of 1893 in Chicago—attended by a number of Hastings residents—provided inspiration for this style. For domestic architecture, the Classical Revival represented a return to regularity and order after the heavily-decorated Italianate and Queen Anne styles waned in popularity.

The automobile garage became a standard feature of new house construction after about 1914. Early garages were compact, usually sheltering one vehicle, and often reflected the architectural design of the house.

