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# Famed Painted Lady Gets Modern Makeover

One of San Francisco's best-known historic homes is saved from demolition with an elegant update.

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Featured in more than 70 films, commercials, and television shows, this Painted Lady Queen Anne Victorian on Postcard Row in San Francisco is perhaps best known for its appearance in the opening credits of *Full House*. Despite its fame, the 120-year-old, 4,800-square-foot beauty—which boasts 6 bedrooms and 5 1/2 baths—was in need of a major makeover. Sadly, thanks to years of visitor tours, private parties, events and general neglect, the home fell into near disrepair and at one point even was slated for demolition.

In 2014, however, new owners stepped in and vowed to save the historic structure. Butler Armsden Architects of San Francisco and ORB Construction of Half Moon Bay, Calif., teamed up to bring the house at 722 Steiner Street into the 21st century. From the outside the home looks the same, but on the inside, Victorian details such as chandeliers, crown moldings, and baseboards are accentuated by modern amenities including a security system, an open floor plan in the kitchen, and structural changes to meet current seismic requirements.

Check out the slideshow above to see how the house has been transformed. Then, check out the video below for an even more in-depth look at the project.

Featured in more than 70 films, commercials, and television shows, this Painted Lady Queen Anne Victorian on Postcard Row in San Francisco received a much needed make-over after years of neglect.

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