



David Jones, Wellington now stands within a heritage building in Wellington's CBD

Historic Department Store opens in Wellington

David Jones is a high end fashion retailer and department store headquartered in Australia with a heritage dating back to 1838. This makes it the oldest continuously operating department store in the world, considering it has continued trading under its original name.

For their first store outside of Australia, David Jones chose Wellington and with Holmes Fire as their Fire Engineer for their store's redevelopment. This site was an historic Wellington-based department store that had

recently closed its doors. Within the constraints of this existing heritage building, the programme for the project from design to trading was less than 12 months.

Upon completion, David Jones not only stands as a landmark retailer but also an exemplar of what can be achieved when a team throws everything behind a project to achieve the most ambitious of projects.

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Cost: circa NZ\$50 Million

Completion: 2017

Architect: Tennent Brown Architects

Client: David Jones Pty Ltd

Construction Company: LT McGuinness