

Folk 1870-1910 Victorian

Queen Anne 1830-1910 Victorian



QUEEN ANNE-
FOLK VICTORIAN

Victorian architecture comprised several styles including Italianate, Gothic Revival, Eastlake, Stick, Queen Anne and Folk. Queen Anne and Folk Victorian architecture, which were popular in the United States at the turn of the century, are two of the styles found in Torrance. Texture, color, ornamentation, and asymmetry characterized Victorian architecture. Folk Victorian style is generally less elaborately decorated than other Victorian styles.



FISH SCALE
GABLE END,
GINGERBREAD
ORNAMENTATION

CHARACTERISTICS

Exterior Materials & Building Form

- asymmetrical, irregular massing
- two or three stories
- one story cottages
- articulated facades
- turret towers round, polygonal or square rising from ground or cantilevered from the second floor
- large porches, sometimes wrapping around the side, turned, carved or chamfered porch posts, cutout or turned balusters
- predominant front gable
- spindlework or gingerbread ornamentation
- perforated gables
- clapboard, shiplap siding
- decorative shingles, fish scale, scalloped at gable ends
- decorative brackets
- dentils

Windows

- tall, narrow double-hung windows
- oriel windows

Roof

- steeply pitched hipped, cross gable roof
- asphalt shingle
- finial ornamentation
- metal or ironing crestring
- exposed trusses



NARROW VICTORIAN STYLE
WINDOW WITH ORNAMENTAL TRIM