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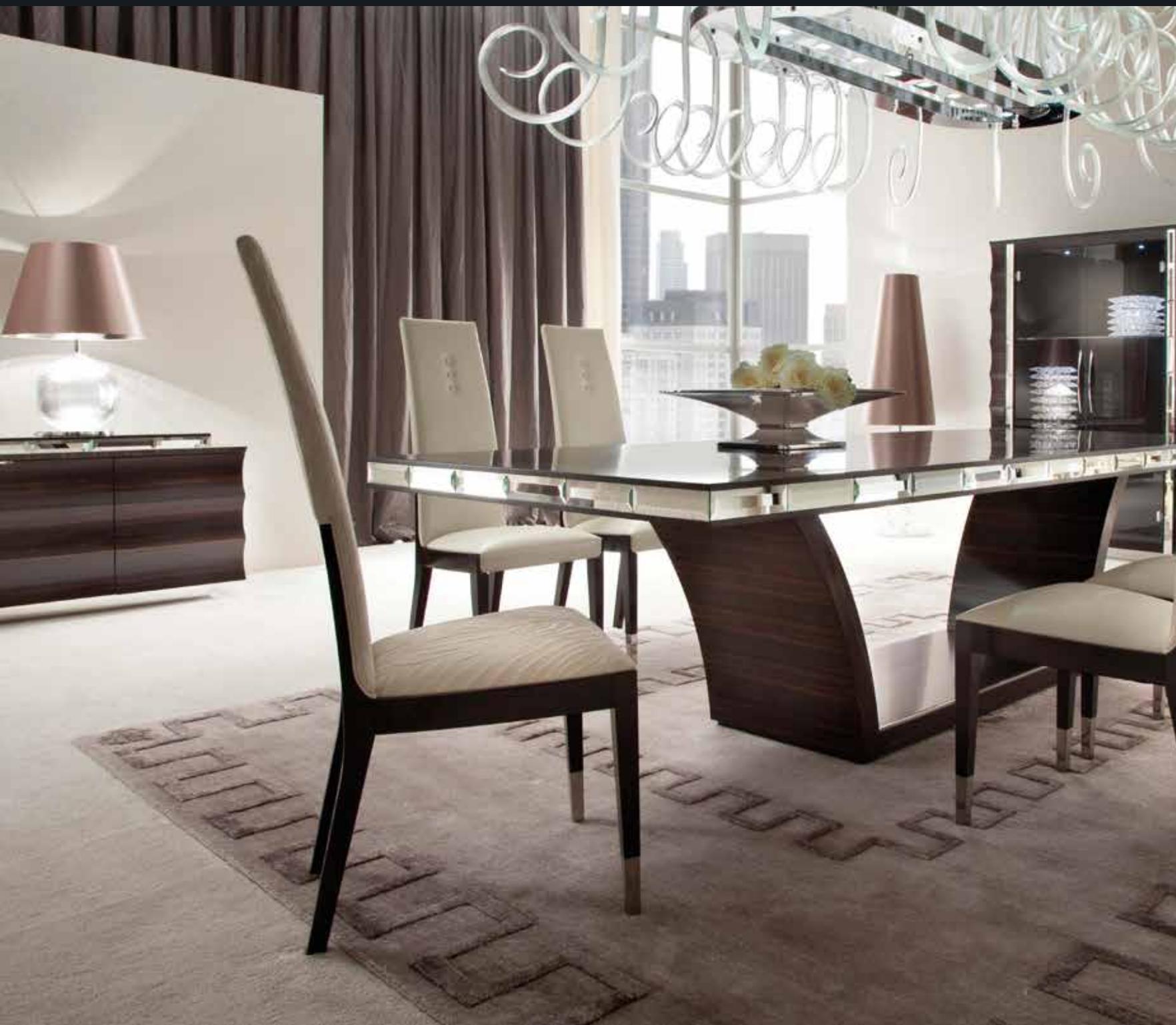
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With that said, we are very proud to present you with our 10th annual edition of WA Custom Homes (previously InStyle) - an annual yearbook, showcasing stunning custom built homes by leading West Australian builders.

For this achievement we must give credit and thanks to our regular advertisers, many of which have featured in the magazine every year, which stands as a testament to their own businesses, having endured the recent tough economic times.

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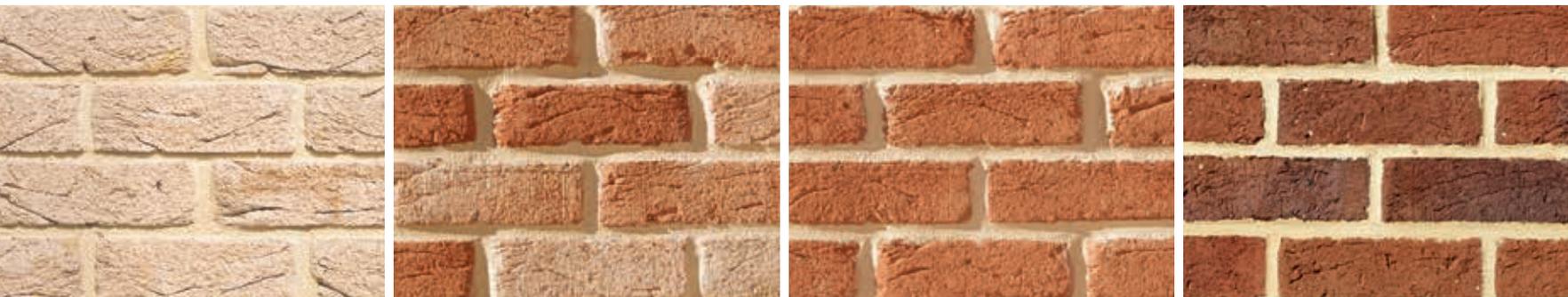
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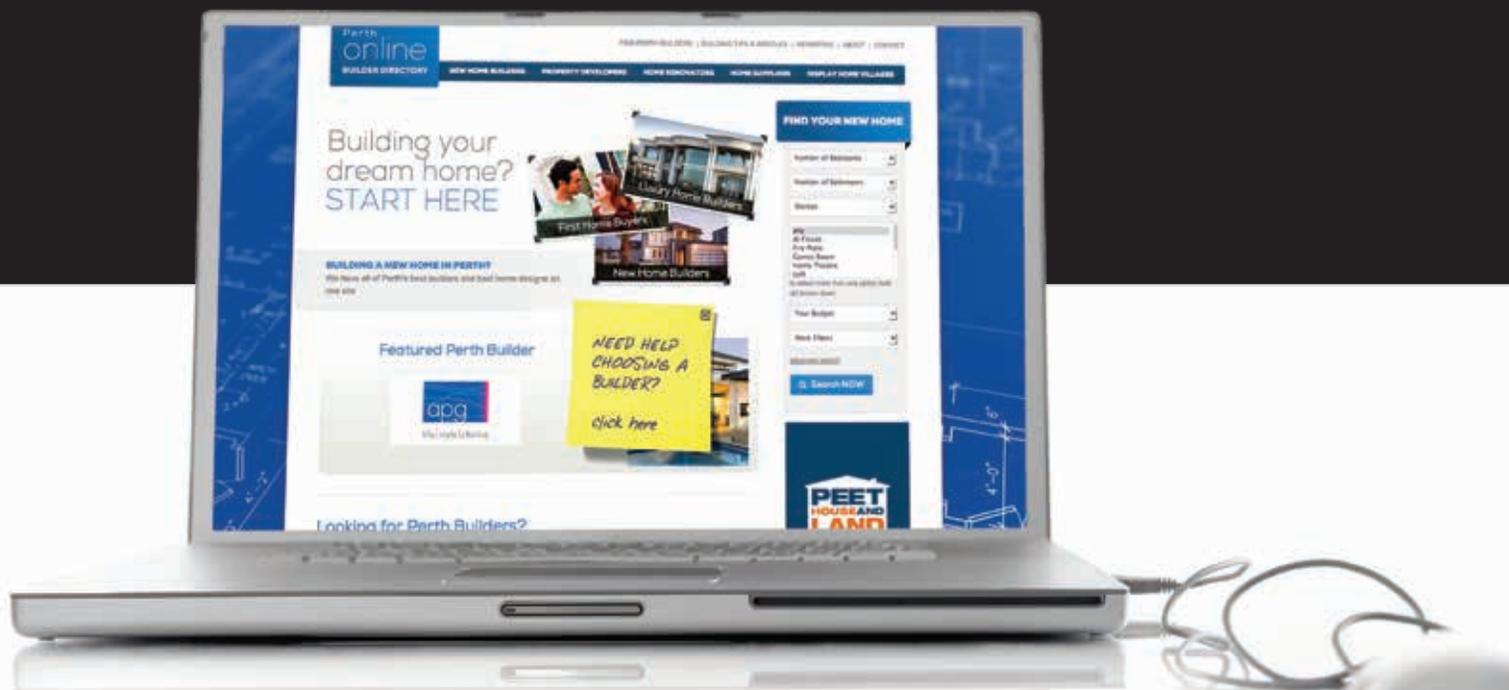


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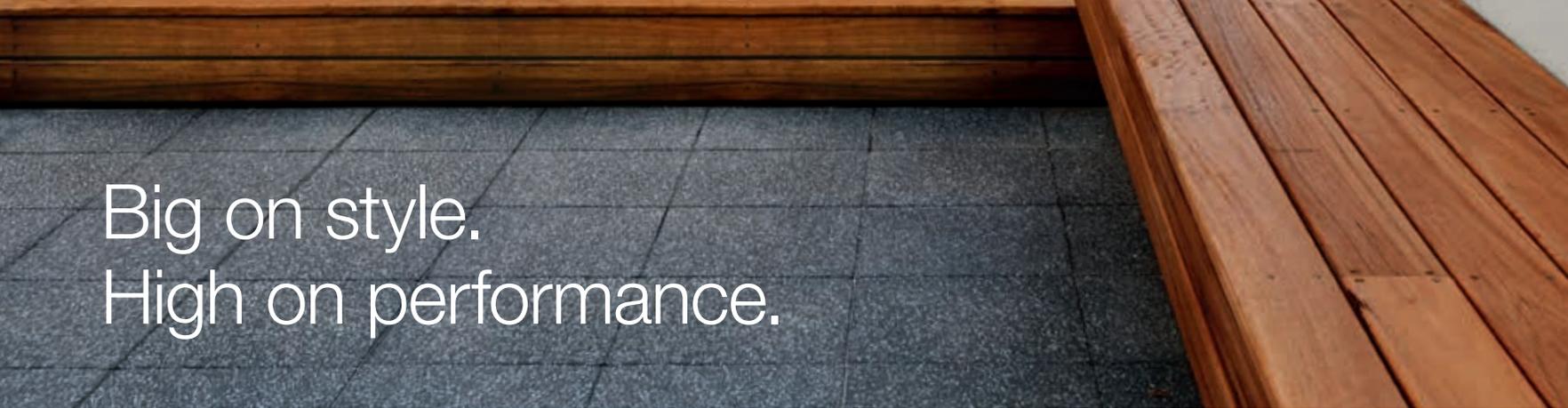
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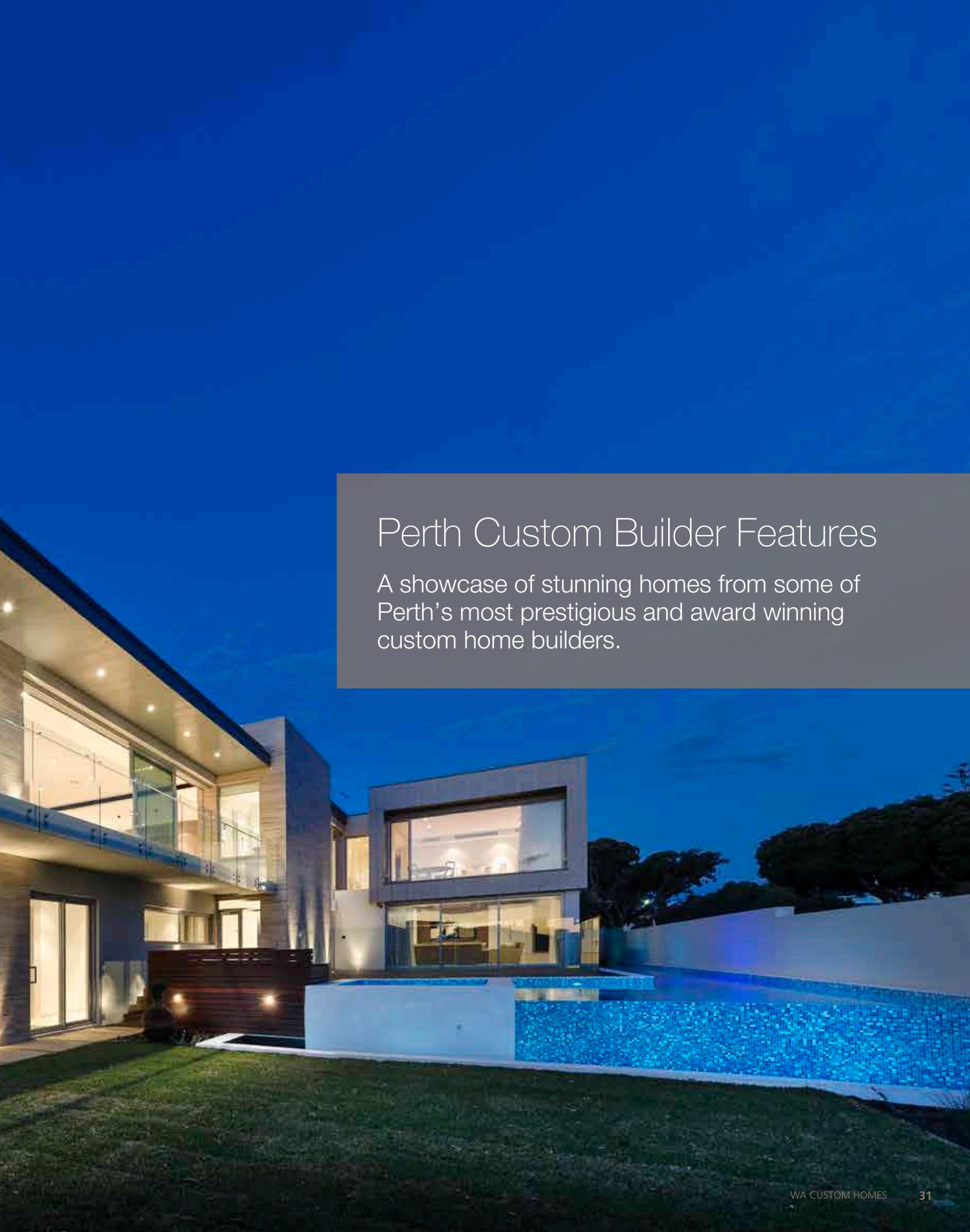
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The home displays an extraordinary array of breath taking features and architectural points of difference, which can only be offered in a home of this calibre.





The Dalkeith residence makes a style statement from the outset with feature limestone cladding on both sides of the front façade, a brushed stainless steel fascia over porch and balcony, Koi ponds wrapping around under the entry and large granite stepping stones delivering you to the beautifully crafted timber pivot door.

The limestone entrance continues seamlessly through the home into the main living area which features an open plan kitchen, dining and living area. The kitchen cabinetry showcases a combination of the timeless, natural beauty of new age veneer and pure white lacquer, and all cupboards and drawers are fitted with premium soft close hardware and recessed satin metal finger pull grips for a sleek and streamline appearance.



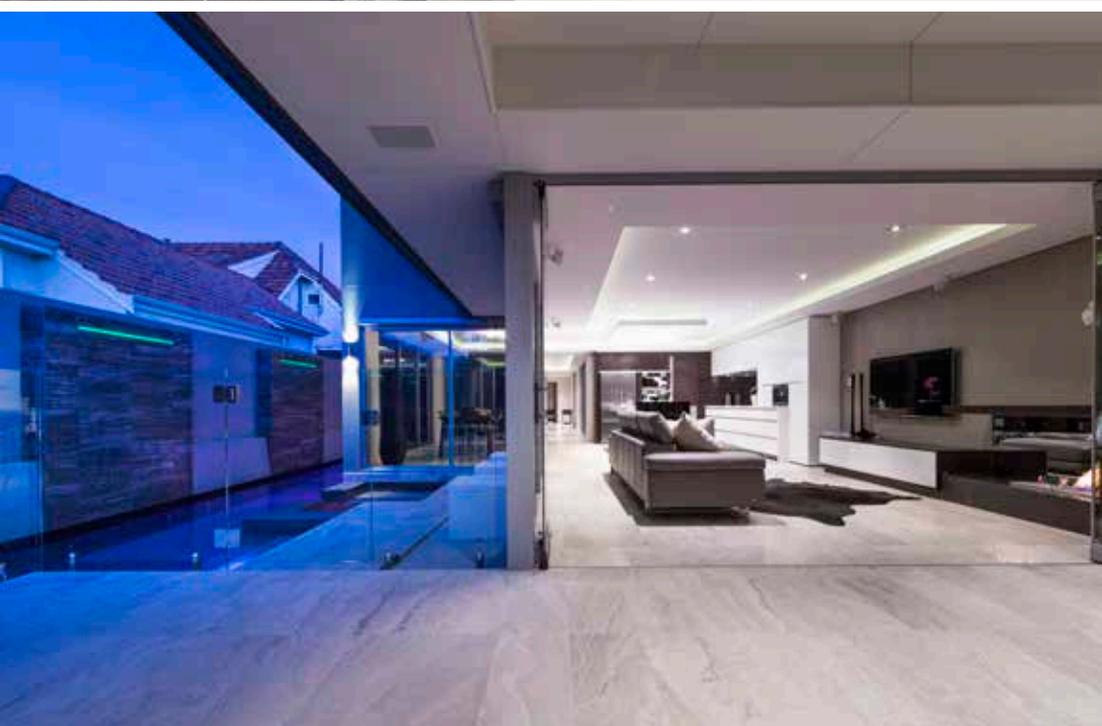


The striking central island bench is topped with classic white Caesarstone and the kitchen is completed by a suite of first rate European appliances.

The new age veneer continues into the living area and the eco-smart fire atop a stone plinth provides a sense of warmth and raw beauty. The use of frameless bi-fold doors further extends the open plan layout into the outdoor alfresco again transitioning seamlessly with the external sandblasted limestone tiling.

Outside, the finish of the 20m long resort inspired lap pool and spa is exemplary, with five soothing water blades adding to the tranquility and large pool and spa steps feature sandblasted limestone while the pool itself has been finished using a dark brown metallic mosaic tile.





Upstairs in the home, a frameless glass wall and cavity sliding door separates the master bedroom and ensuite in the home. The feature tiling resolute free-standing stone bath hides the shower and toilet and the two single vanities are beautifully finished with stone, lacquer and stainless sanitary ware.

The custom designed 1100 bottle capacity cellar features a combination of both front and side facing wine racks, a huge sliding 3-door bar fridge and the mirrored and textured laminate panels finish the room impeccably and provide a sense of grandeur to the room.

Next to the cellar is the theatre which features a cantilevered wall cabinet complete with a 100 inch screen and stadium seating perfect for entertaining guests or having the night in.



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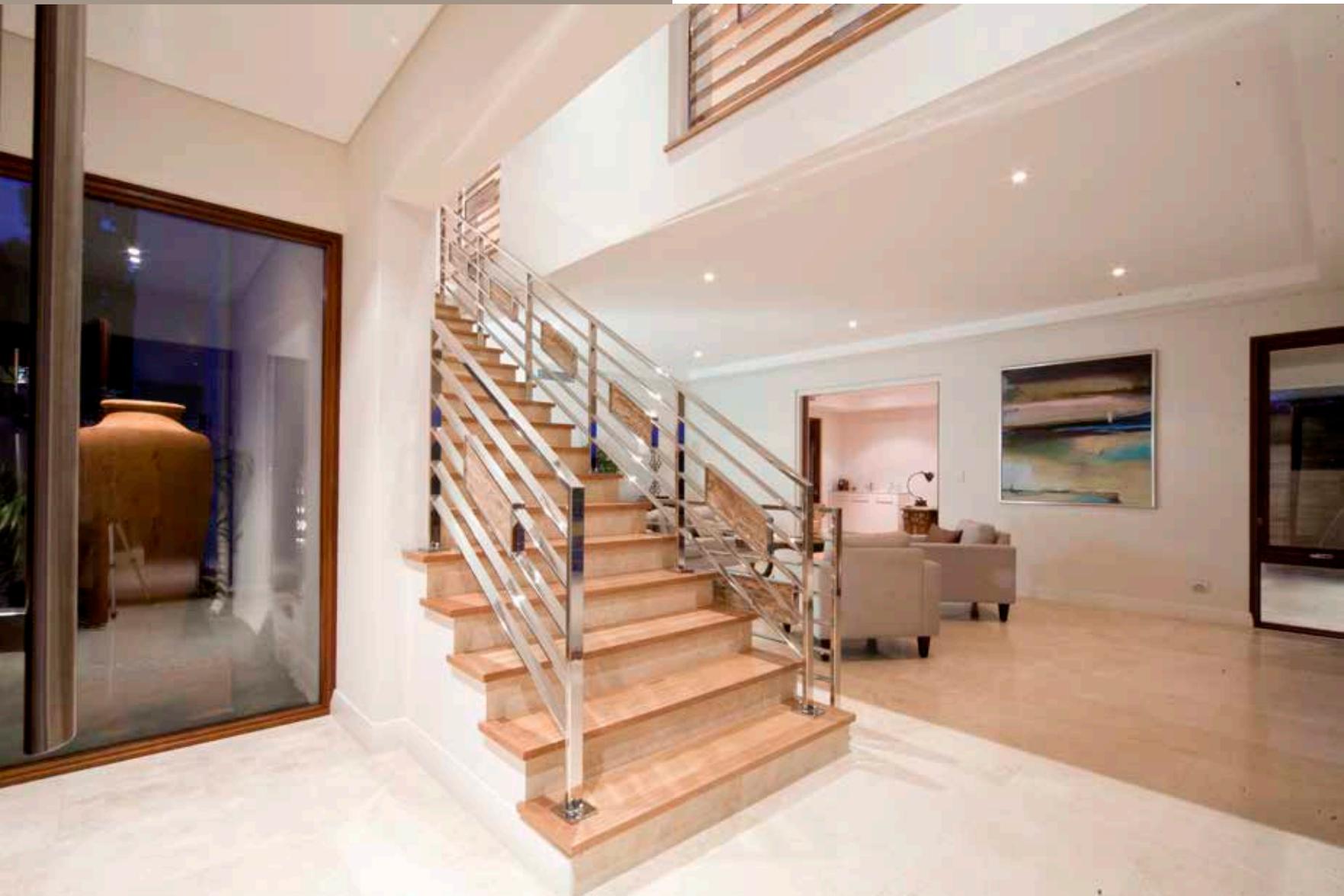




Dazzling Duo

Their reputation as one of WA's most prestigious luxury home builders rewarded Pirone Builders with the contract to build these two stunning residences in Mosman Park by Prestige Property Group.

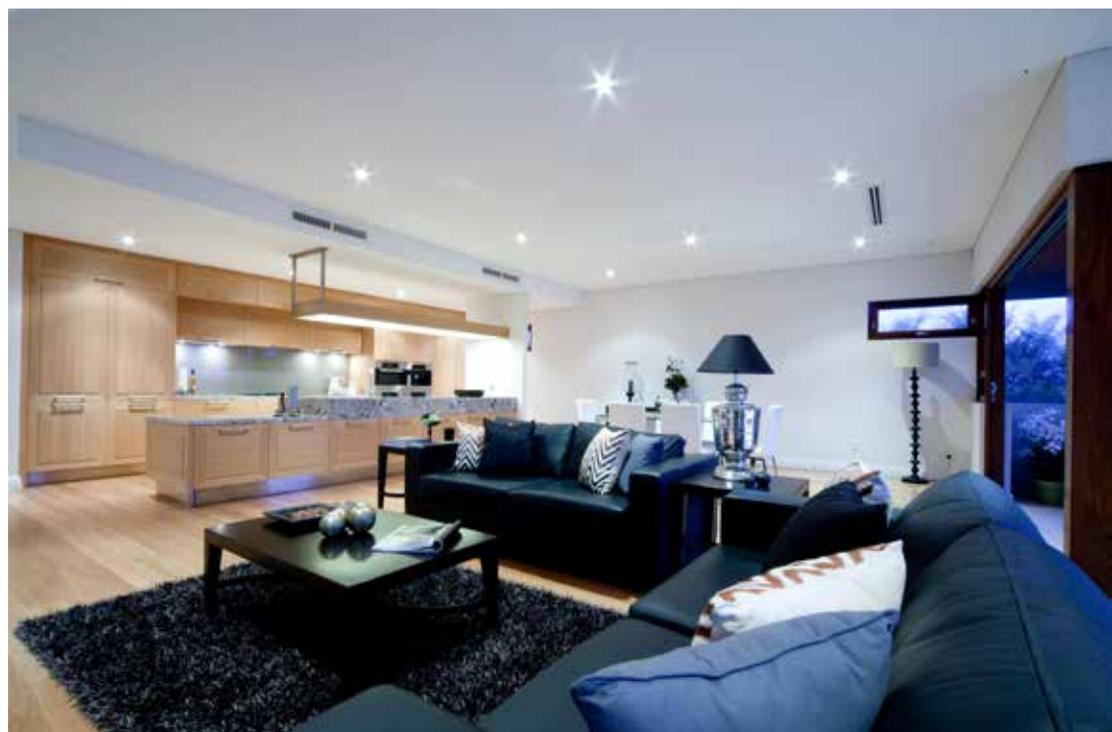
Architect-designed, built to the highest quality specifications, and featuring a carefully selected blend of exotic timbers and imported marble, every luxury has been catered for in these elegant homes. Located side by side in an elevated position, both homes take in stunning panoramic views of the Swan River.



This sophisticated contemporary home presents a lifestyle opportunity reserved for the select few.

Impressive in both style and finish, the home offers picturesque 180 degree river views. Once again, the line between indoor and outdoor living is blurred by opening the glass stacker doors between the living areas and the spacious upper terrace where the views dominate the entire space.

The gourmet custom-made Effetti kitchen is an entertainer's dream, complete with integrated Gaggenau appliances including induction cook top, oven, steamer, microwave, two dishwashers, dual sinks and motorised drawers. The separate scullery area includes personalised carved drawers for the pots, pans, knife set and utensils.





A large pivot door opens to the master bedroom, giving the impression of entering a luxury hotel suite. The stunning adjoining ensuite offers heated marble floors, Carrara Grigio marble benchtop and a tiled feature wall. The superb dressing room, with its immaculate fit out offering a large choice of storage options, is a fashion enthusiasts dream.

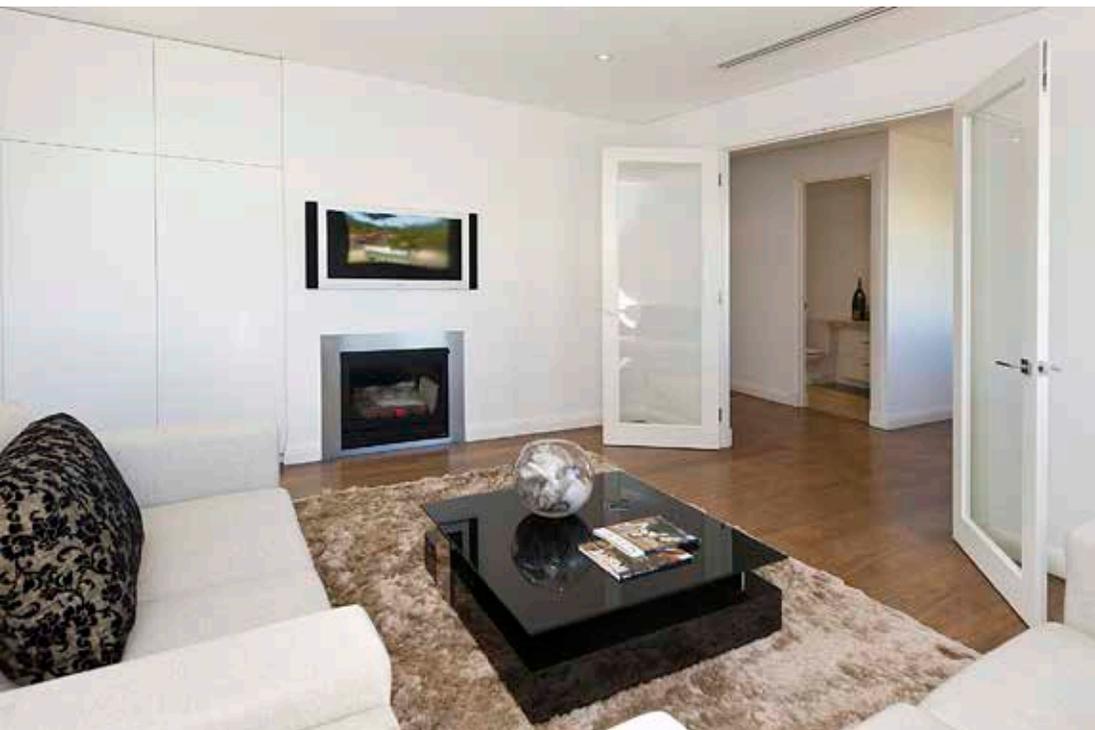
The views can be enjoyed from almost every room, including the home office. From here, there's direct access to the shady terrace which can also be accessed via the theatre room and fourth bedroom. Flowing down from the terrace is a private garden retreat where one can bask in the sun & once more enjoy the river views.

In total, the home includes a total of four bedrooms, each with ensuite bathroom, formal lounge with fireplace, family living room, lift, 4-6 car secure garaging, reverse-cycle air conditioning, security and ducted vacuum system.



Delivering the ultimate in luxury city living, this beautiful home has the welcoming ambience of an opulent retreat.

While huge floor-to-ceiling windows deliver spectacular river views as a stunning backdrop for the open plan living area, throw open the timber-framed bi-fold doors to the large balcony and a seamless flow between indoor and outdoor living is instantly created.



Custom-made in Italy, the large entertainer's kitchen features integrated European appliances, exquisite Carrara marble benchtops and quality timber cabinets with a vast array of storage options. Banks of wide timber drawers even include dedicated space which has been customised for the storage of knives and utensils.

The spacious, deluxe master bedroom adjoins a beautifully-appointed ensuite with an exquisite dual vanity, tiled feature wall and deep bath for relaxation.

On the lower floor, the home offers a lounge area outside the office, plus an activity room for extra family living space. There are a further three large bedrooms, all with ensuite bathrooms plus two powder rooms, all with top quality fittings. Extras include a lift, loggia, 4-car garage and reverse-cycle air conditioning throughout.



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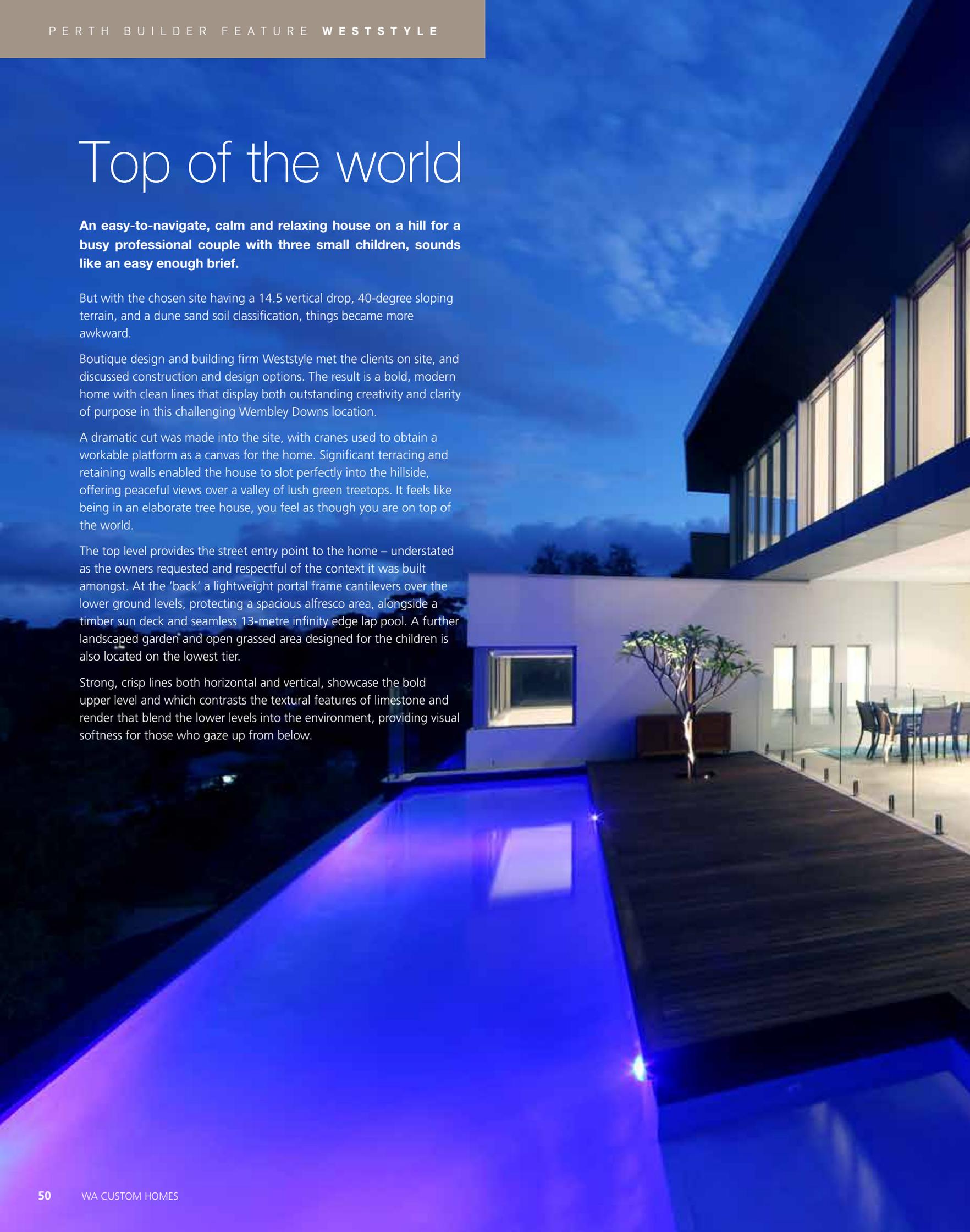
But with the chosen site having a 14.5 vertical drop, 40-degree sloping terrain, and a dune sand soil classification, things became more awkward.

Boutique design and building firm Weststyle met the clients on site, and discussed construction and design options. The result is a bold, modern home with clean lines that display both outstanding creativity and clarity of purpose in this challenging Wembley Downs location.

A dramatic cut was made into the site, with cranes used to obtain a workable platform as a canvas for the home. Significant terracing and retaining walls enabled the house to slot perfectly into the hillside, offering peaceful views over a valley of lush green treetops. It feels like being in an elaborate tree house, you feel as though you are on top of the world.

The top level provides the street entry point to the home – understated as the owners requested and respectful of the context it was built amongst. At the 'back' a lightweight portal frame cantilevers over the lower ground levels, protecting a spacious alfresco area, alongside a timber sun deck and seamless 13-metre infinity edge lap pool. A further landscaped garden and open grassed area designed for the children is also located on the lowest tier.

Strong, crisp lines both horizontal and vertical, showcase the bold upper level and which contrasts the textural features of limestone and render that blend the lower levels into the environment, providing visual softness for those who gaze up from below.







Inside, travertine flooring compliments this natural easy look in a light and fresh open-plan ground-floor living/dining/kitchen area. The kitchen benches are reconstituted stone. The cabinets are a combination of lacquer timber veneer, a consistent theme of materiality repeated throughout the home.

The stylish staircase leading to the upper level starts with a stone plinth before floating jarrah treads on a steel spine takeover. Additionally a handrail of moulded jarrah curves around a custom piece of freestanding glass.





The home has six bedrooms, three bathrooms and two powder rooms. Two bedrooms on the ground floor allow plenty of space for unexpected visitors or children's future 'sleepovers'.

At the top of the stairs, a sitting room is hidden behind a stylish white lacquer bookcase with an unexpected and striking red feature. It's a place to relax and enjoy life.

Given the site access difficulties the project took into consideration minimising future maintenance, including the use of Alucabond, traditionally a commercial material, to create a strong statement with its dark charcoal colour as external cladding to the home. Naturally a painted finish in this application would present as an expensive and inferior option years down the track.





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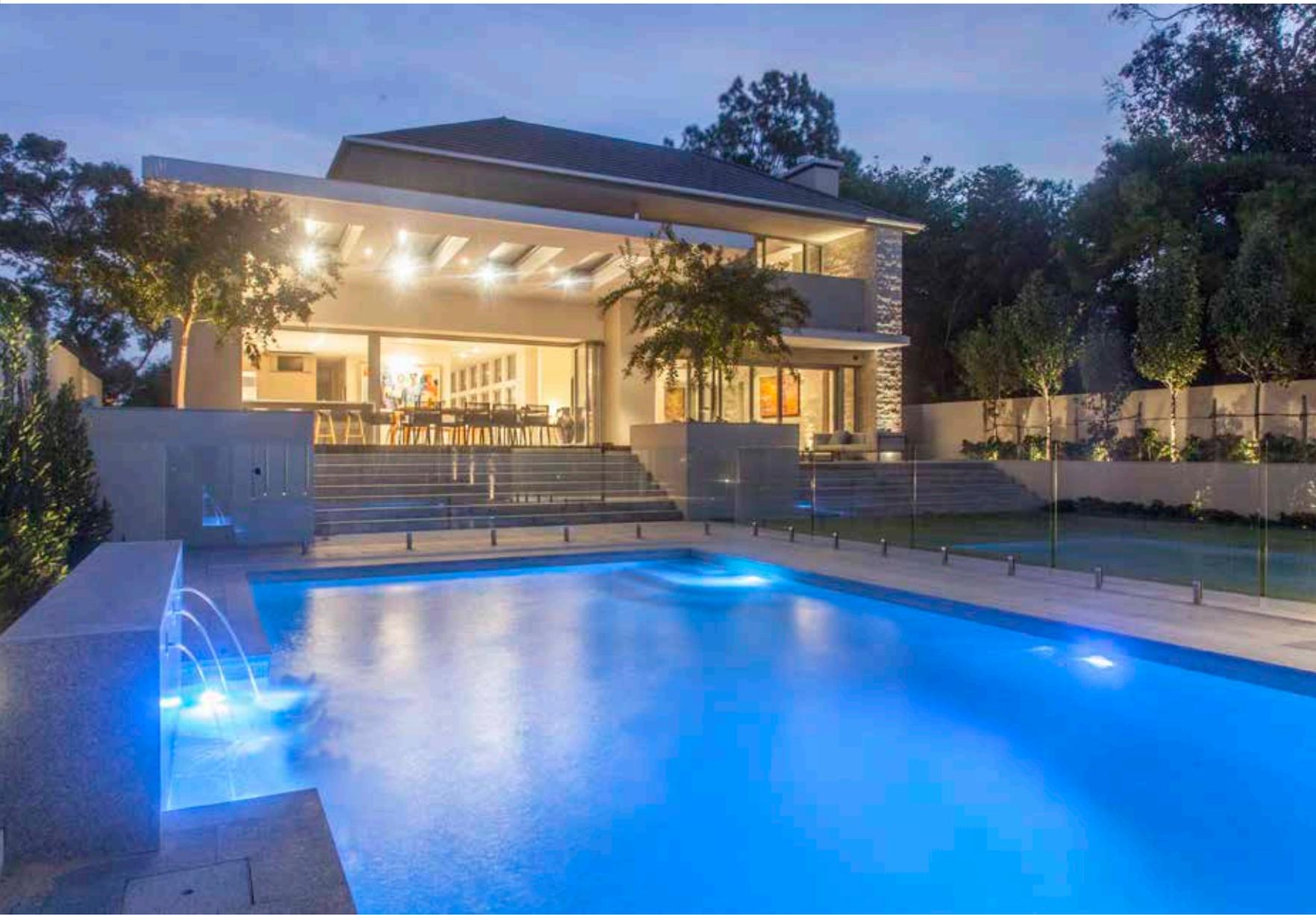
Sleek and minimalist, this distinctive home offers stylish open plan living at its very best.

Alfresco entertaining is a clear priority, with large banks of bi-fold doors which open the rear of the home to the outdoors and allow for effortless entertaining by the pristine pool with its trickling water features. The spacious ironwood timber deck features an outdoor kitchen, complete with barbeque, and a remote louvered roof to make the most of all weather conditions.

Superior finishes throughout the home include pitched-face marble cladding, which is used extensively as a feature in the gate house, entry lobby, lounge and tennis court pavilion.

The over-sized master bedroom offers beautiful stone-clad feature walls offset by timber veneered cabinetry. Light floods into this peaceful sanctuary through the large double-glazed doors which open onto the private balcony.

In total, this outstanding contemporary home features four bedrooms, four bathrooms, a study, powder room, home theatre, games room, library and a large leafy courtyard.



Compact Luxury

Proving that size is no barrier to style and sophistication, Spadaccini Homes present this recently constructed Karrinyup property.

Set on a 550 square metre block, this home is a statement in quality, class and opulence.

Entertainers will adore the glossy lacquered designer kitchen which offers every convenience, including integrated European appliances, vast storage options and a walk-in pantry complete with copper wine racks extending along an entire wall.

Working from home would be an absolute pleasure in the magnificent office, with its stunning custom-made, book-matched veneer desk and cabinets.





A stylish contemporary tiled fireplace is the centrepiece of the sunken lounge room, while stepped cornices with feature lighting highlight the ceilings in this room, the family living area and sunken lounge room, as well as in the entry.

Precision skills were required to achieve the outstanding finish to the exquisite feature wall tiling in the ensuite. The amazing result is once again a testament to the craftsmanship the Spadaccini team is renowned for.

An attractive landscaped lap pool stands to the rear of the home, offering a refreshing dip to cool down on warm sunny days.

This elegant home consists of a total three bedrooms, two bathrooms, office, powder room, home gym, two living rooms and ducted air conditioning throughout.

Both clients were extremely happy with the results Spadaccini Homes were able to achieve through a process of close consultation, working tirelessly with sub-contractors and ensuring the highest level of quality workmanship were maintained at all times throughout the building process.





With a passion for superior quality in all their projects, the Spadaccini team believe that every house they build should be a home their Managing Director Rob Spadaccini would be proud to live in. They have a source of excellent, dedicated tradespeople at their fingertips, many of whom have been with the company since its inception in 1997.

It is this total dedication to craftsmanship that has seen the team reach the pinnacle of the industry, winning numerous industry awards from both the Masters Builders Association and the Housing Industry of Australia.



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Ocean Synergy

Optimising the stunning Indian Ocean views was a key objective in the completion of this unique and imposing two-storey residence in beachside Hillarys by award winning builder A. Di Bucci and Son.

The home sits perfectly in synergy with its coastal location and maintains luxurious finishes throughout, from the front façade of grain-matched, stone clad walls, right through to the impressive rear entertaining area and shimmering swimming pool. The harmony with its environment can be attributed to a clever mix of neutral materials that provide the home with a light and airy ambience.

Wide stepping stones and washed aggregate adorn the entry walkway, reminiscent of the home's beachside surroundings. Horizontal and vertical aluminium joinery lines complement the sloping central bulkhead and stained plywood linings to provide this home with a distinctly contemporary feel.







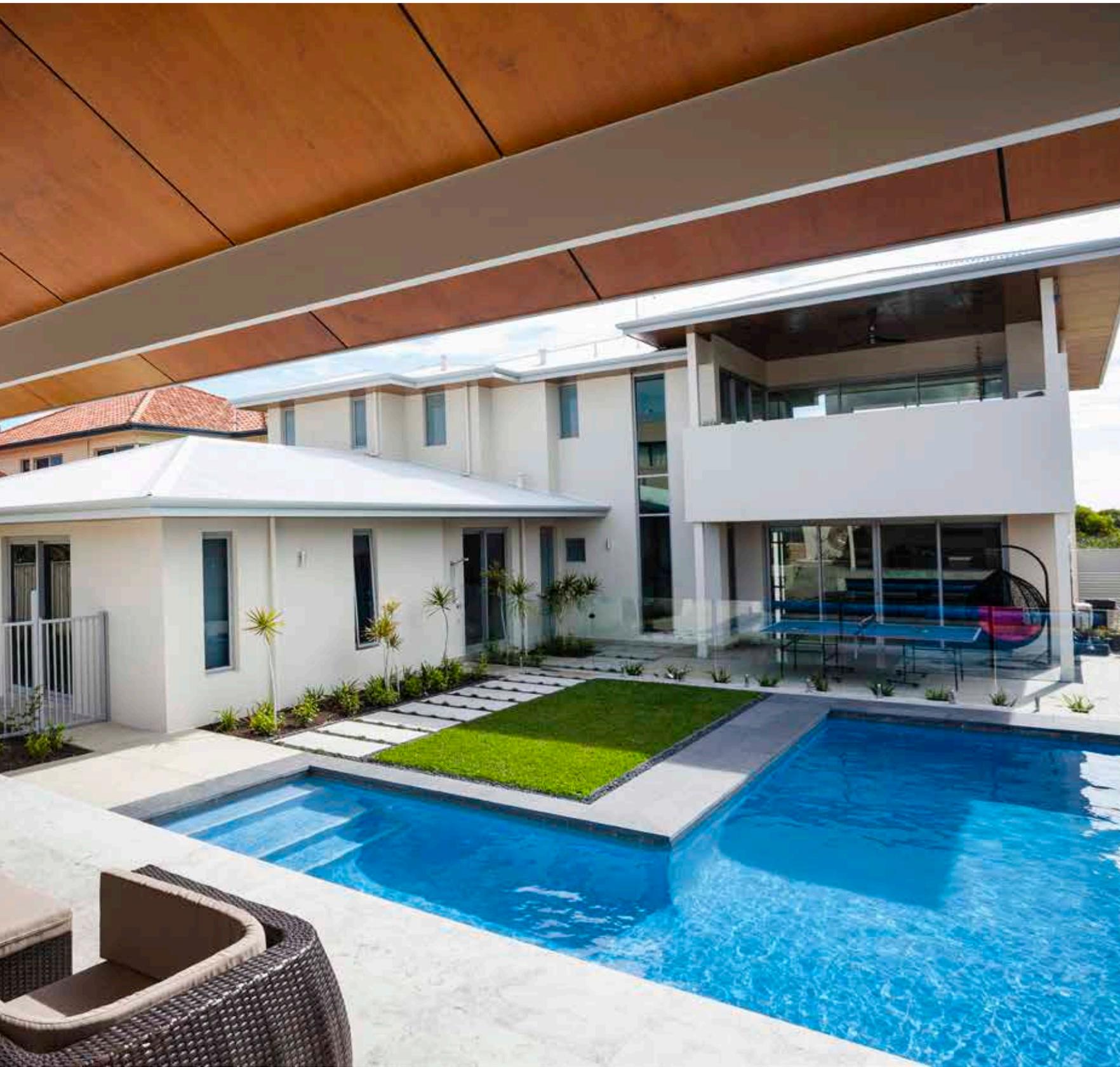
Superb natural patterned stone floors feature inside the entry, while open riser solid timber stairs invite guests to explore the upper level of the home.

The sleek modern kitchen, offering clean lines with crisp white cabinets and timber contrasts, is well-appointed with top quality appliances, including a floating stainless steel range hood. Raked ceilings over the dining area provide a feeling of space and light, while the eye is drawn towards the ocean views beyond by the extensive use of full-height windows. Stylish perforated ceilings and a chic wall-mounted fireplace feature in the adjoining family room.



The master bedroom offers special sound-proofed walls and includes an opulent open plan ensuite with elegant polished stone floors, a deep relaxing bath and floating timber vanity.

Beyond the frameless glass pool fence, alfresco entertaining is fully accommodated in the elevated pavilion, complete with outdoor kitchen offering a barbecue, stainless steel splashbacks and fridge. Functional yet stylish in its construction, the pavilion features negative-joint stained plywood ceilings.



Expert craftsmanship and attention to detail is evident throughout the home, including negative P50 cornices, a lift, glass balustrading, air conditioning and premium quality materials.

The unique blend of modern building materials, innovative construction techniques and state-of-the-art design has culminated in the ideal dream family home for the owners and an exceptional showpiece of construction for the builders.



With a combined 65 years industry experience, Amico (Mick) Di Bucci and son Greg have firmly established an unrivalled reputation for excellence, high quality craftsmanship and the finest luxury home construction, from classic designs to modern

masterpieces. Not just once, but seven times, the company has been awarded the Master Builder's Top Home of the Year in WA, providing clear testament to the enduring quality and master craftsmanship of the A. Di Bucci & Son team.



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Let There Be Light

This cutting edge contemporary home showcases all the important elements of modern architectural design.

There is a combination of both strength and lightness in the structure, with clear angled horizontal lines and slim vertical lines drawing your eye towards the airy open plan living area.

A spherical opening on the upper level allows additional light to enter creating a connection to a daytime blue sky or luminous night sky.

This lightness in design is also reflected in the stunning glass windowed, mosaic swimming pool, that draws you in and invites you to enter into the luxurious and opulent interior of this spectacular home.





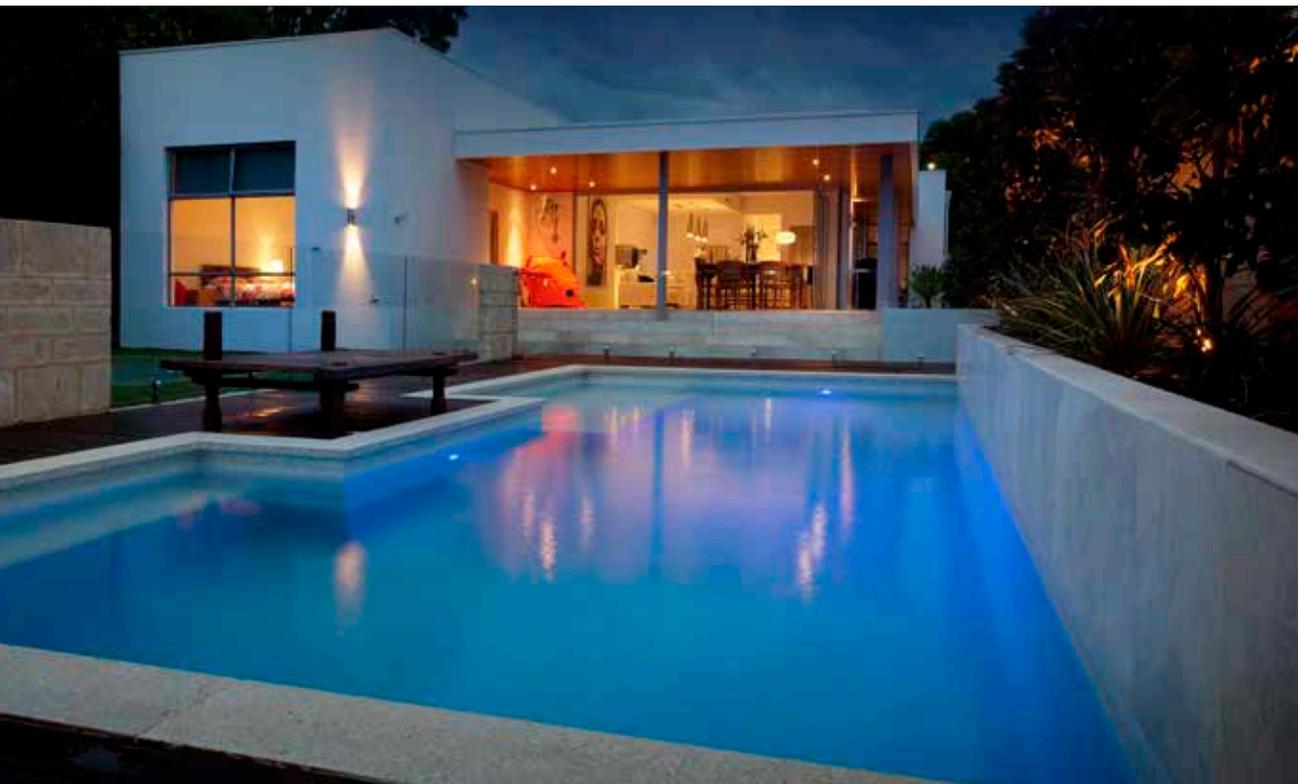




In signature MBC style, this home features a stunning front entry, that only hints at the opulence inside. Unique materials and finishes include a stone beam that leads you from the front entry right through to the rear of the open plan living area, positioned to take best advantage of the Northern aspect. Incredible 4 meter high stacking doors open the house onto an alfresco and pool area.

The impressive master suite boasts luxurious features including a freestanding bath tub which overlooks a second outdoor shower, perfect for those hot summer nights.

And, if that's not enough impressive features, this stylish home boasts an undercroft three car garage, plus a substantial storage area. The unique design allows you to turn your vehicle around and drive out forward rather than back up the steep driveway. Not that you'll want to leave this amazing home too often.



Built for a family with two growing children and a love of the outdoors, this Bicton home combines a sleek modern style, and innovative architectural features which not only awarded it a major Housing Industry Association Award but also won praise from judges as 'an exceptional home' ... 'with impeccable attention to detail'.

Sophisticated in their simplicity, the home incorporates a range of clever design principles such as living areas that make the most of northern light, minimising the use of artificial lighting, along with well-placed windows that provide natural ventilation, enhance the homes environmental efficiency.

Other clever design aspects include a commercial-grade flat roof concealed by sleek fascia's that allow solar panels for both pool and home to be incorporated without compromising design aesthetics.

From the sleek open plan living areas, glass bi-folding doors provide a seamless transition to the alfresco area that overlooks a stunning 10m swimming pool and compliments the families outdoor lifestyle.



Winner 2012 HIA Custom Built \$625,000 - \$800,000

HIA Finalist 2012 Perth Custom Built Home of the Year

HIA Finalist 2012 Peter Overman award for Perth Innovation in housing project of the year,





From the front timber decking that leads you past a stunning water feature, right through to the alfresco area, this cleverly designed home has all the elements of a modern luxury home without the burden of a massive carbon footprint.



Building your dream home is a personal experience which is why Rob Maughan is personally involved in each and every home built by Maughan Building Company, visualising and planning each individual detail with the client to ensure an exceptional outcome and 100% client satisfaction.

With initial plans of following his family roots in farming, Maughan built his first home, a mud brick dwelling, on his father's farm in the WA wheatbelt. This early experience led to his passion for building and may be the key to the environmental values he expresses with all his design and construction work.

An astute understanding of function and form, fuels his passion of combining energy efficiency and sustainability with cutting-edge architectural enhancements and contemporary design principles. Says Maughan, " I liken building design to poetry - you might start with the same material but it's the order and combination you put them in that creates something special"

Maughan is an official judge for the Housing Industry Association, and built a solid reputation working with other leading industry brands before forming Maughan Building Company.

The accolade's he's received to date are a testament to his skill and vision.



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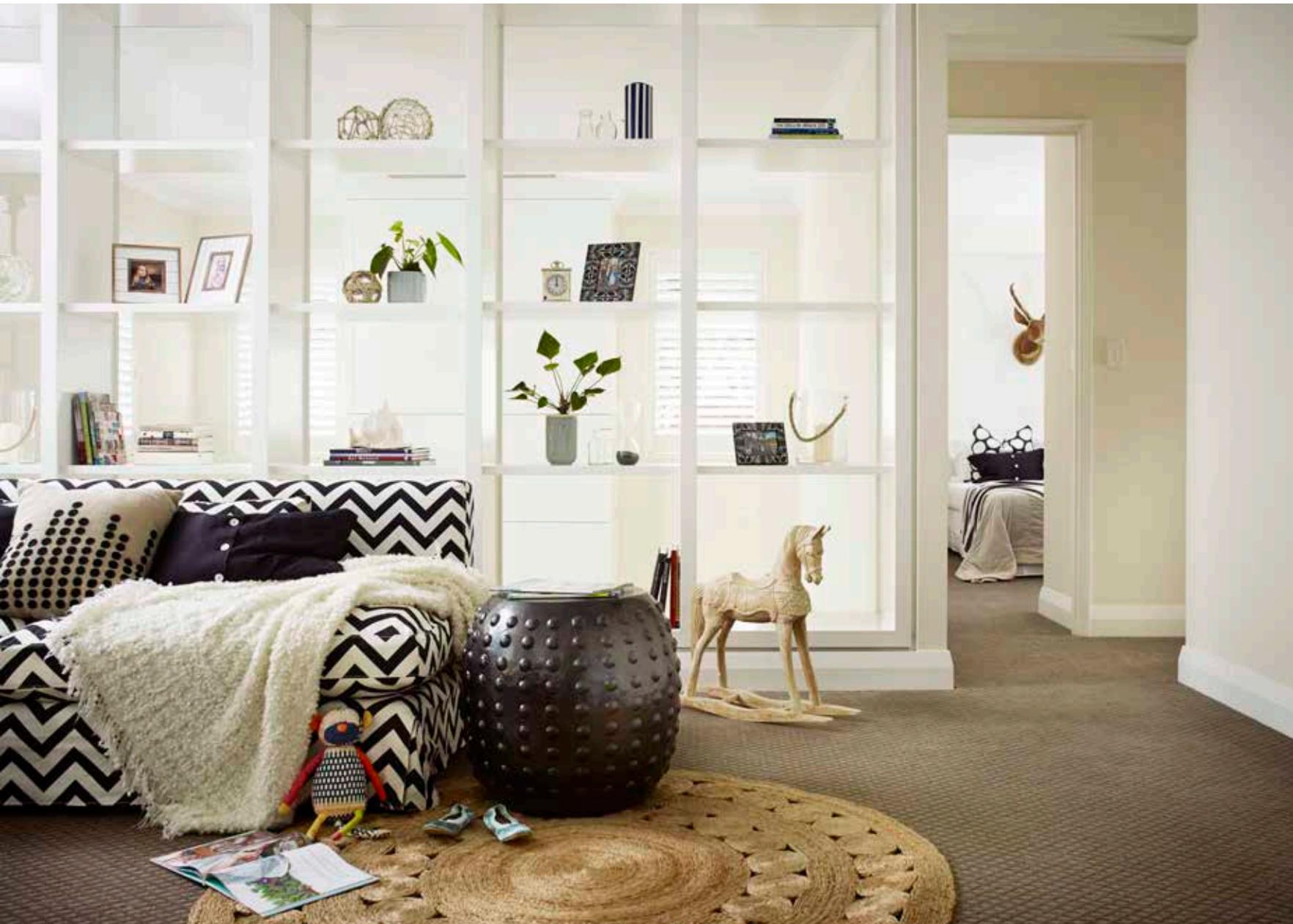
Enjoying Life's Moments

RiverStone understands that home really is where the heart is. That's why its individually designed homes, such as this stunning West Hamptons showcase in Swanbourne, are proving so popular.

Inspired by the warmth and casual sophistication of the Hamptons, this is a home to enjoy with family and friends. Suiting the relaxed West Australian lifestyle to a tee, it has a welcoming sense of style that starts outside with the weatherboards, mouldings and pretty porch. Inviting spaces and elegant detailing draw you in and before you know it you're feeling right at home.







Memories are made in living spaces such as these. The relaxed open-plan design encourages everyone to come together, whether your kids are toddlers, teens or older, and grandparents will love the fact there's plenty of space for energetic little visitors. At the same time, individual spaces feel intimate, comfortable and welcoming. From reading quietly or enjoying a glass of wine in front of the fire, to playing with the kids or chatting with friends, the West Hamptons appreciates the everyday moments you enjoy the most.

In the family room, a double-storey void and soaring chimneybreast emphasise the great sense of light, height and volume in this bespoke home, while beautiful timber panelling and built-in window seats reflect iconic Hamptons styling. Upstairs, the children's playroom or second sitting room

features a cleverly designed floor-to-ceiling bookcase with a clear Perspex backing to help keep the happy sounds of activity from filtering down to the living area below.

It may have been inspired by New York's ritzy summer playground, but this home has been designed to make the most of our wonderful Western Australian climate. Extra-tall sliding doors open up the living space to a shimmering blue pool and a stylish freestanding cabana for alfresco dining and general lounging around. And when it's time to call the kids in, they can come straight into the downstairs bathroom for a post-swim shower.

Even furry four-legged members of the family get a wash and brush-up at the dog-washing station in the laundry.



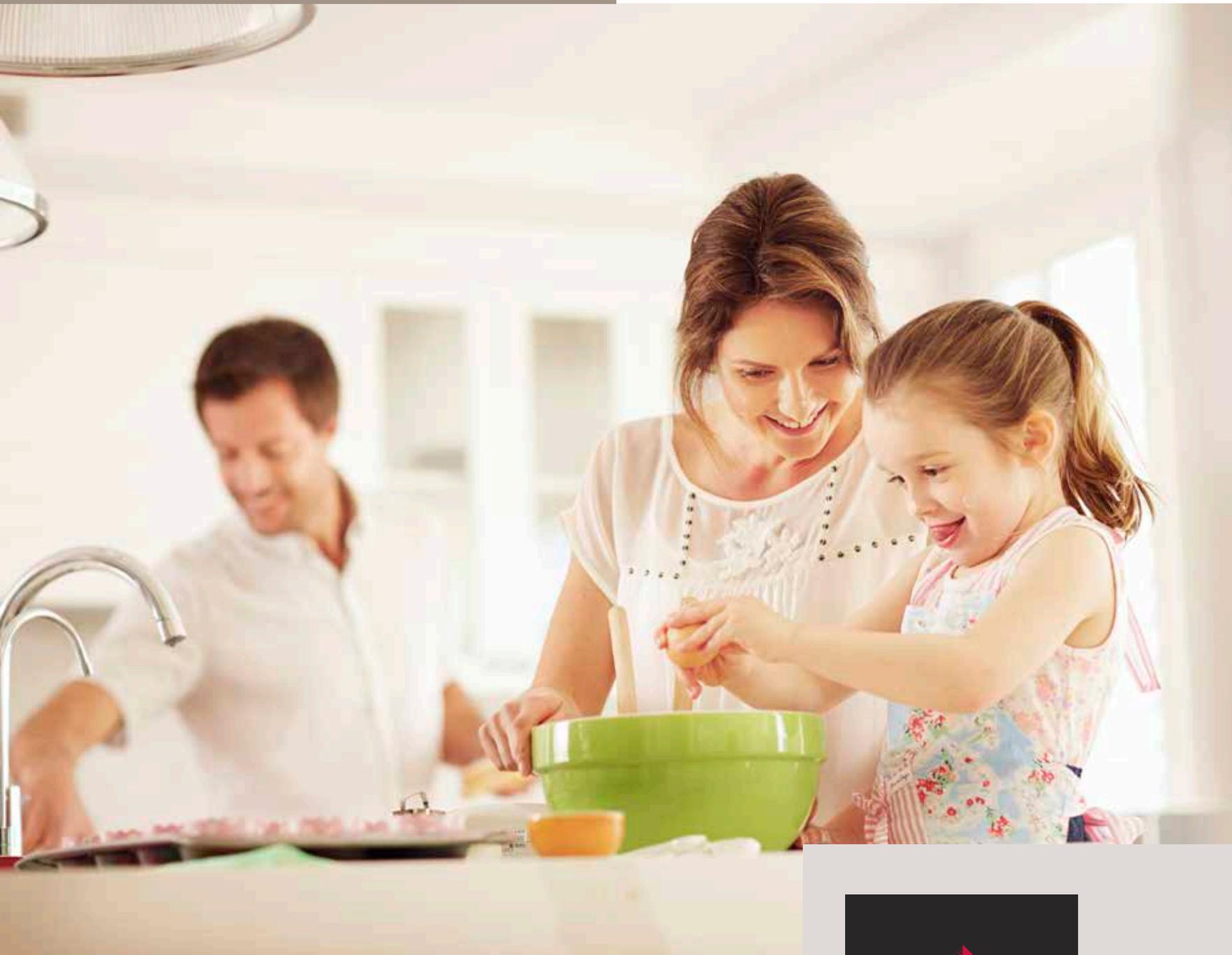
Capturing the artistry of Hamptons-style detailing, a gentle arch frames the heart-of-the-home kitchen. It's here that you'll enjoy your early-morning coffee in the breakfast nook, bake cookies with the kids at the vast island bench or rustle up a family roast. The simplified Shaker-style cabinetry is perfectly in tune with the home's glamorous beachside look, while the adjoining scullery is a must-have for today's busy families.

Chosen for both its performance and supreme good looks, the top-of-the-range engineered wood floor in Royal Oak is beautiful, hardwearing and easy to look after. It's the perfect complement to the crisp white mouldings, timber panelling, deep skirting boards and timber windowsills that help define the Hamptons style.



Three bedrooms and three bathrooms mean this is a house for the long-term, no matter how old the kids – or grandkids – get. An indulgent bathroom and fully-fitted dressing room are included in the master suite, while the landing has been neatly turned into a reading area complete with a stunning walk-through bookcase and a window seat that invites you to stop awhile and take time out.

The youngest members of the family have their own wing, with two generous bedrooms off the upstairs sitting room that's perfect for play, study or hanging out with friends. On the first floor, a large den is the place for hobbies or a home-based business and can quickly be turned into a fourth bedroom when guests come to stay. And they will want to stay.



Not only has RiverStone paired old-school detailing with modern living to create the West Hamptons, but the luxury homebuilder has also made sure it's as easy as possible to get the look you love. What you see really is what you get, with a long list of features included in the price, from the stunning fireplace surrounded by stone and white-painted wood, to the Quantum Quartz benchtops, timber flooring, wood panelling, bookcases and window seats.

Whether it's sophisticated beachside chic, uber-edgy urban or classic European, RiverStone brings an unerring eye for detail and quality to each and every project. And, like the West Hamptons, their homes can be designed as a complete package so that there's nothing more to do except move in.

Leaving you to enjoy life's moments.



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Small Block, Big Ideas

A gabled cottage built with an aesthetic mix of timber weatherboards and limestone walls. A 'secret garden' courtyard facing north that invites long afternoon conversations while drinking wine from your own cellar. These are just a few of the charms of this romantic house in Silas Street, East Fremantle.



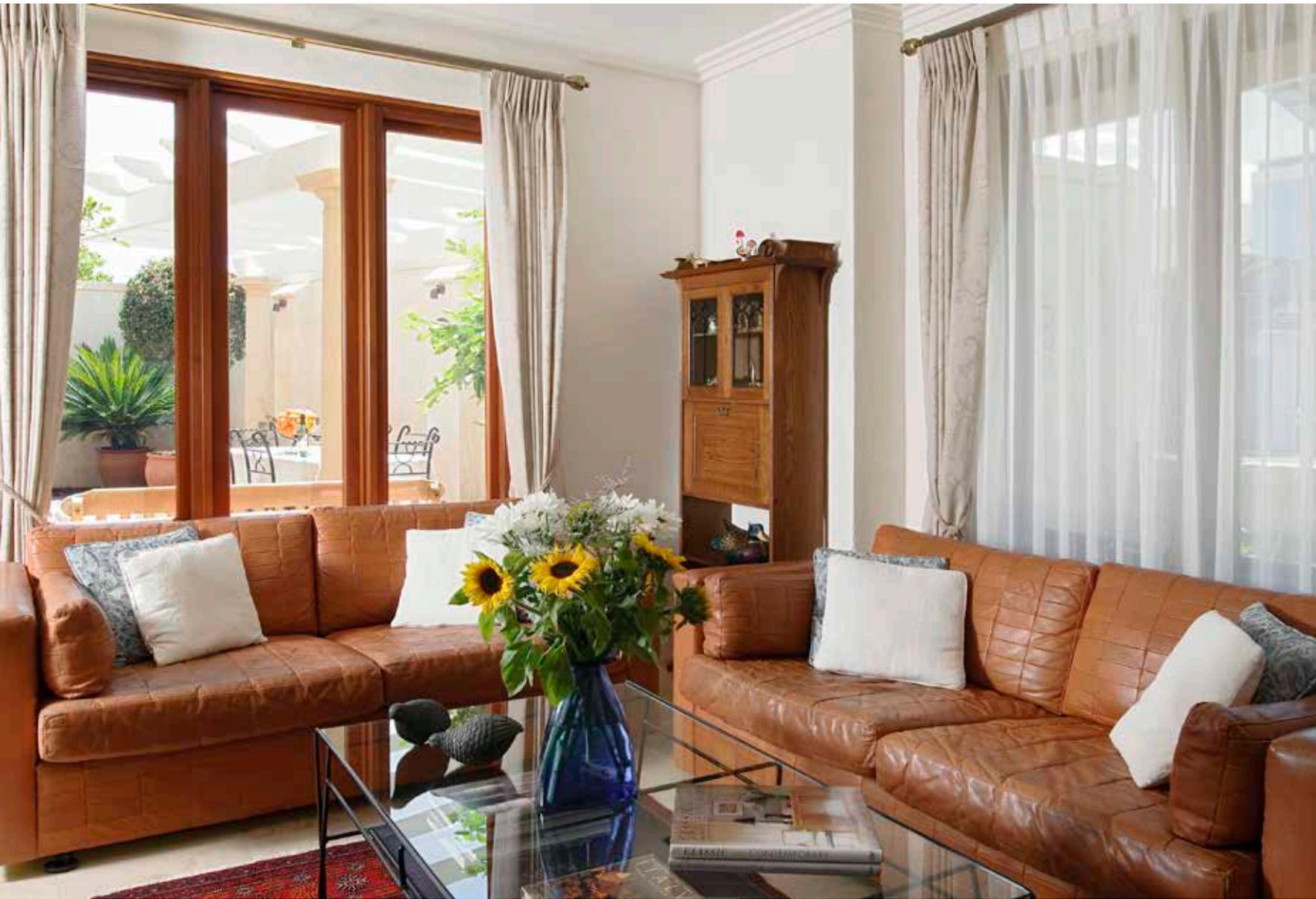


The owners, two parents with two adult children downsized from a large home on acreage in the Perth Hills. Even though they chose to make this “city change”, they wanted to maintain elements of their rural lifestyle including an open interface with the outdoors and privacy from neighbours and street. And of course, four adults wanted some separation and privacy for themselves within the house. Then there was storage to consider, including a large wine collection.

The other challenge was an atypical, narrow triangular shaped block of only 285 square metres on a busy corner location.

The Kensington Design response is deceptively simple. The entire house is only one room wide with an ‘L’ leg at the wide end of the site and an upper story set back to minimize overshadowing. Yet this captivating compact house has the spacious feel and connectivity of a larger dwelling.

Upstairs are attic-style bedrooms, with a stairway at each end of the house providing independent access and the necessary privacy for everyone. A library-study adjacent to the sumptuous master suite ensures a quiet retreat for parents. French doors open to an enchanting Juliet balcony to catch the winter sun or to sit and enjoy a morning coffee. Downstairs there is a discreet guest powder room and bathroom for the children.



The ground floor central area is a friendly open-plan family space for all to share. Natural stone tiles on the floor and kitchen bench tops offer a timeless elegance, and whitewashed rough rendered walls and timber joinery enhance the country cottage feel.

There is ample dining room space for up to 14 people to sit at the regular formal tastings of wine brought up from the unique underground cellar with its curved brick vaulted ceiling.





The living areas open out to the secluded garden with its high limestone walls and arched gateway entry.

Passive solar design, low E glass and excellent cross-ventilation through doors and windows to take advantage of the cooling sea breeze also contribute to the liveability of this home. They are just some examples of the thoughtful environmental features that make up this little gem.

The home is completed with a boxroom for storage and a carefully detailed and cleverly oversized single integrated garage.



The five dedicated professionals that comprise Kensington Design are renowned for their creativity and their personalised and meticulous attention to detail. They undertake only a small number of projects a year with the object of providing the best possible service. In 2012 they won four Housing Industry Awards, including the

Western Australian Housing Award for the Special Purpose Housing Project of the year.

Since first entering awards competitions in 1992, the company has received more than 70 awards and citations for design and building confirming their ongoing commitment to produce great houses.



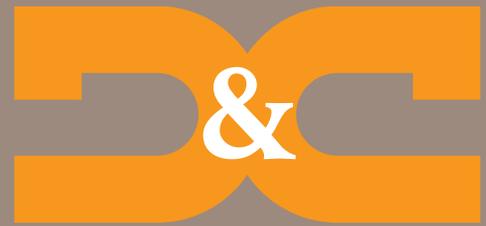
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The Choice is Yours

Eight years ago the now directors of Design & Construct could see that there was a new trend developing for the middle to upper range of new home clients.

Gone were the days where people settled for "off the shelf display home" even with those homes heavily modified they still did not satisfy client's every requirement.

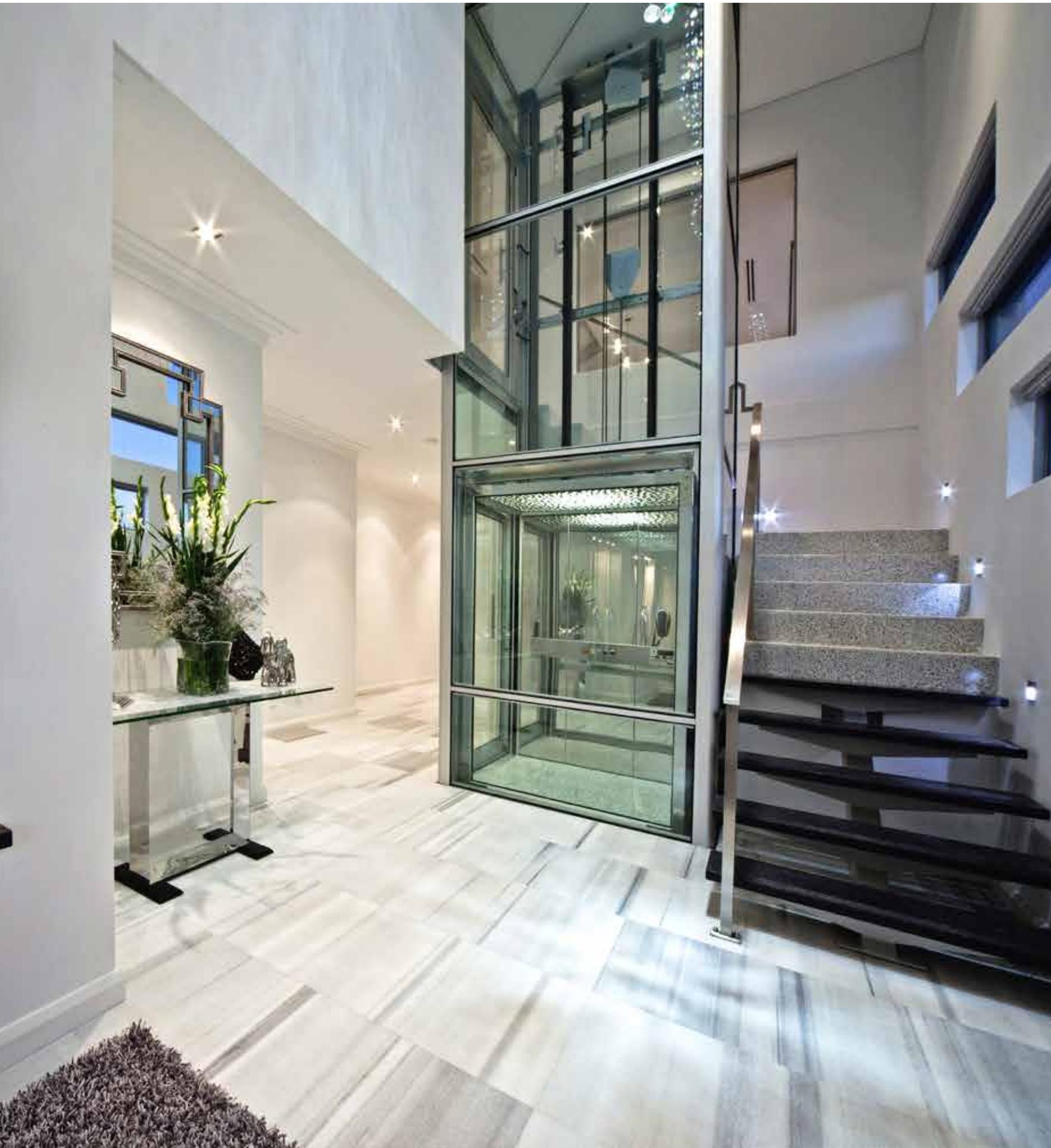
The old idea of one size-fits-all was fast disappearing.

Recognising this fact Tom Brownbill identified a niche in the market place and formed Design & Construct which with his wealth of experience of 30 years in the building industry catered for a more sophisticated client wanting to celebrate their Individuality.

People required homes to live in that expressed who they were, their personality, interests and chosen lifestyle. They wanted easy homes that allowed their families to flourish. They wanted the best in design, materials, and craftsmanship. And some wanted their existing homes to take their place in today's world with a more contemporary look.

The result of Tom's foresight are beautifully proportioned luxury houses built by Design & Construct Residential that become gracious and lasting landmarks in their streets.









Step inside this sophisticated welcoming home and the delightful symmetry continues. There are clean angular lines and a seamless interaction between all living spaces. Natural stone and easy-to-maintain high-gloss porcelain blends with soft warm-toned timbers. Sunlight is captured with floor to ceiling glass and draws the eye to the outside view. Nothing dominates.

An expertly designed and engineered glass elevator fits into the home, both useful and continuing the theme of light and accessibility.

Everything is impeccable from the tiered ceilings that add a sense of spaciousness and interest to the fine crafted joinery throughout the home. Feature lights are carefully chosen to combine

elegance with efficiency and are the centrepiece of the living room. Recesses with subtle accent lighting provide spaces for treasured art objects. The inbuilt fireplace sits waiting. There is a feeling of concord and harmony throughout.

The highly efficient and stylish kitchen gleams with superior fixtures and finishes as well as providing an inviting casual approach.

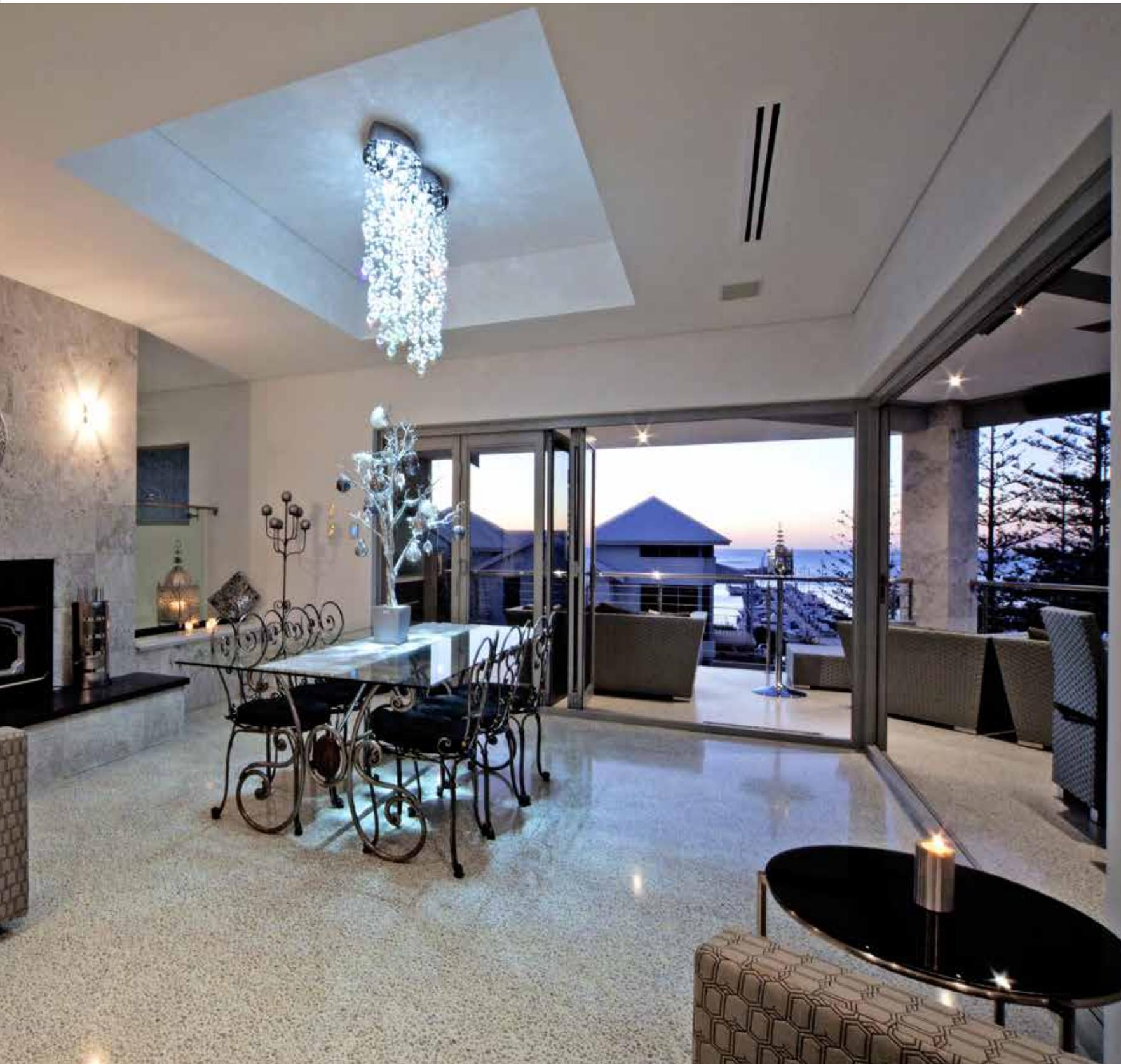
Cleverly designed and free-flowing upper floors in which to live and entertain has become the signature of Design & Construct Residential. A difficult block or a narrow lot only inspires the designers to become more innovative. They enjoy the challenge.



Design & Construct Residential is also proud of its unique three-step process, Design - Tender - Construct that builds in communication, co-operation and transparency throughout the project from start to finish.

Clients are invited to bring their ideas, plans, and most importantly, their wish list to the first cost-free meeting. The award-winning head designer devotes as much time as is necessary to talk this ideal house through. 3D concept drawings are used, every detail is attended to. Fittings and colour schemes are considered. Future needs are talked about. Only when everyone is satisfied are plans sent for approval and the best match sought between builder and client in an open tender process.







These houses are crafted and built especially for discerning home-lovers who have dreams they want to make real. These people want to be involved from beginning to end. They want to make a personal statement about who they are and what they care about in the architecture, design and interiors of their homes.



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For 25 years, Atrium Homes have been designing and building luxury homes of distinction.

With every new home constructed by Atrium, comes a commitment to building excellence, a standard that is achieved with the use of quality materials, exceptional attention to detail and pride in workmanship.

Atrium Homes' principles of uncompromising quality are at the heart of the business philosophy. An ethos which has ensured Atrium's enduring reputation over the past two and a half decades as one of WA's premier luxury home builders and seen them consistently recognised with leading building industry awards, most recently the 2013 MBA Display Home of the year.







Atrium Homes are renowned for creating unique and personalised prestige homes for WA families.

In creating your dream home it's imperative to have a clear understanding about your expectations. Atrium's in-house Design Studio take the time to fully understand the function and features that you are seeking in your new home, ensuring your new home is designed to suit the way you live... perfectly.





Atrium's transparent building process also aims to ensure clients feel comfortable sharing their thoughts at every stage of the building process. Whether discussing plans or deciding on finishes their experienced team are there to both guide you and listen.





In order to maintain an exceptional standard with each and every home built, Atrium ensure that all the building components, hardware and materials used in the construction of their homes are obtained from only respected, quality manufacturers and suppliers.

Their hands on approach throughout the building process and strong attention to detail guarantees the quality of workmanship and a finish that has won them numerous awards



MBA Award winning best display home of the year 2013

Demonstrating that a narrow block is no obstacle in creating a luxury, sophisticated home, Atrium's new display home - "Blue Gum" defies small lot living.

Located in Molyeen Rd, Mt Pleasant, this superb home on only a 10m frontage demonstrates superb volume, light and space thanks to clever design, high ceilings, well-placed windows and perfectly proportioned rooms.

The sparkling granite kitchen, integrated alfresco area, and a luxurious master suite with walk in robe and balcony demonstrate luxury living without compromise.



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History

Since 1956, the name Zorzi has become synonymous with high quality, craftsman built homes Australia wide. Zorzi Builders was founded on an ethos of hard work, and inspired by a family passion and the never ending pursuit of excellence in delivering the highest quality design and construction of new homes.

Dating back over four generations, the Zorzi passion started when Corado Zorzi first saw the work of Andrea Palladio, while working in the family business in Italy in the early 1900's. Born in 1576, many consider Andrea Palladio to be the grandfather of residential Architecture, having created such iconic residences as the Villa Valmarana ai Nani near Vicenza, in 1670.

Quality, craftsmanship and design have always been the signature of Zorzi. From humble beginnings, providing house and land packages, to the exclusive, custom designed homes of today which have become the benchmark in residential quality construction.

Since their inception, Zorzi has always strived to lead the market with innovative, unique solutions. This pioneering spirit is underpinned by the timeless values of quality and craftsmanship, which are at the heart of every Zorzi home.

Elegant grandeur can only be achieved through considered design and the melding of quality materials with the highest standards of workmanship. Zorzi homes are distinguished by their contemporary designs and an attention to detail evident in every aspect of the home – from the concrete and brickwork through to the fixtures, fittings and finishes.

Grandwood by Zorzi

As the Zorzi brand grew so too did the value of the projects it undertook. With a growing brand and affluent clientele the importance of evolving into a multi-faceted building company was recognised. Grandwood by Zorzi was established in 1994 as a response to expanding client families looking to build at all different levels of style and budget, changing community tastes, trends and styles.

Grandwood quickly demonstrated the value of the Zorzi heritage by winning the HIA Golden Key for best display home in Perth with their first display home, and then the National award for building the best home in Australia, a few years later. This is an accolade many builders do not achieve in a lifetime, let alone the first years of operation.

Grandwood by Zorzi has been built on a reputation for producing outstanding homes that encapsulate the essence of individuality and style. Underpinned by the Zorzi master brand, Grandwood epitomises the Zorzi values in quality and craftsmanship, leveraging this to deliver a range of homes that are accessible across a broader range of price points by streamlining the process down to a seamless art form.

Grandwood Homes provides clients with flexible custom and customised solutions to suit individual needs, unique sites and a personalised service at every stage of the building process. This includes direct access to directors and a full time builder on site as well as a dedicated project manager, and interior design consultants.

Today Zorzi is a multigenerational builder focused on the design and construction of luxury family homes.

The Zorzi brand encompasses:

1. Zorzi, Estate Homes – Specialising in bespoke projects generally in excess of \$2.5 million to over \$20.0 million
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3. Grandwood by Zorzi, Aspire - Specialising in a customisable selection of homes ranging from \$500,000 - \$1.0 million





Australian Home Builder of the Year

Zorzi Builders have been at the forefront of the home building industry for nearly 60 years. Over this time, Zorzi Builders have been recognised for their work as home builders of the highest quality, winning numerous national industry awards for construction excellence.



Coastal Modernism

Working hand in hand with an external architect, this Cottesloe home represents a new era in luxury home design.

The architect was able to successfully harness the vision of the client which was brought to life by Zorzi Builders. With nearly 60 years experience, constructing some of Western Australia's most pre-eminent homes, the superior level of construction that Zorzi is renowned for is clearly evident throughout this modern open-plan home.





Throughout the home, the architect and builder worked as one, selecting and presenting products to the client that were both sympathetic to the environment, as well as to the home's aesthetic appeal.

The zinc cladding to the external walls and fascia helped give the home an industrial appeal. At the same time, the polished, 316 marine grade custom balustrade - with high tensile frameless glass - gives the home a certain softness and elegance.

A centrepiece of the home is the lap pool, lined in Italian mosaics that wrap over an infinity waterfall edge at one end.

While this architecture has been described as minimal, there is nothing simple about the level of detail in this modern, coastal resort style home.

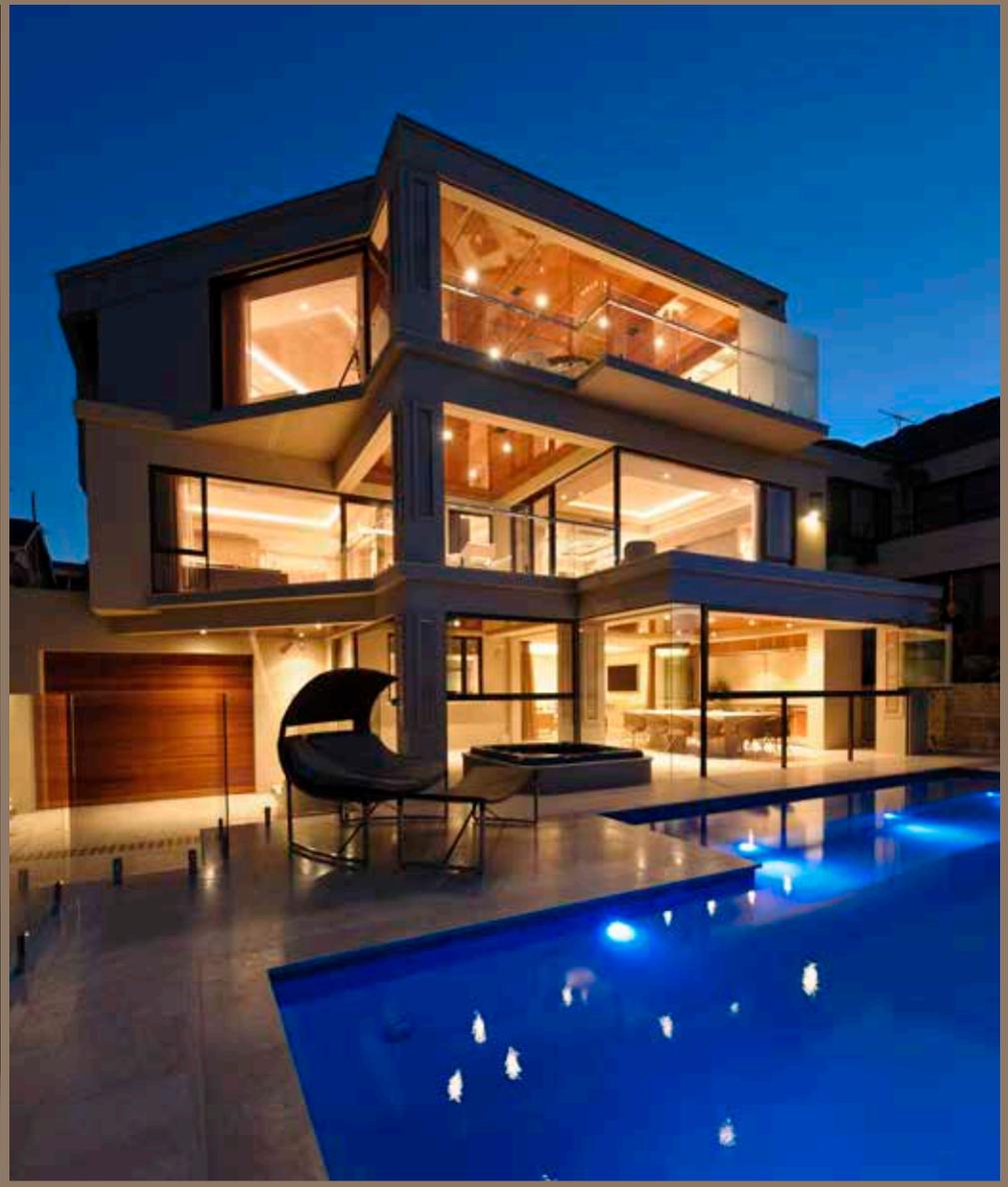


Riverfront Dream

After a lifetime of planning, this family's dream home, was finally brought to fruition in spectacular style by Zorzi Builders.

With the entry being some 16m above the boat-house below, this beautiful home has been built over four levels, accessible by a 12 person lift. The stunning city views afforded by its prime riverfront location, were harnessed in all aspects of the home via an open plan design and floor to ceiling windows. The quality finish and exceptional attention to detail is clearly evident throughout the home, and is a testament to the luxury and quality that has become synonymous with the Zorzi name.





From the moment you walk through the front doors it is clear this home is nothing short of opulent.

Utilising classic materials such as timber and stone in a modern application, Zorzi was diligent in listening to the client, to ensure they selected the best designer and interior designer to suit this client and project.

Walking through the home is a sensory journey. From the heated stone floors and the blend of satin and gloss timber finishes on the walls and ceilings, through to the leather and cotton clad feature panels in the various rooms.

Although the use of different materials is vast, they all blend to create a tapestry for the senses that just works.





Resort Style Renovation

A 23 year old Halls Head home receives a luxury renovation from Zorzi Builders.

Positioned on the canals at Halls Head, this family home was transformed into a stunning resort style estate that takes full advantage of its prime waterfront location.

With large floor to ceiling windows throughout, the internal living areas of the home are seamlessly connected to the extensive outdoor entertaining area. The master suite and bedrooms on the upper level can also be accessed from the outdoor area by separate staircases.

A split roof cabana houses built in cabinetry, barbeque and a wood fired pizza oven, along with glazed doors that provide protection from the weather, ensuring the area can be utilised at any time of the year.

Lush tropical gardens surround the stunning infinity edge pool that sits overlooking the canal and the newly constructed jetty.



The inside of the home has a rustic feel which is achieved with a mix of natural materials including acid-washed and wire brushed granite, stained American oak, stacked slate and polished plaster.

Large timber support beams salvaged from the original jetty have been used as a feature in the newly constructed temperature-controlled, underground wine cellar. The natural granite, solid timber wine racks and iron balustrading enhance the classic European feel.

From the moment you walk through the solid timber entry doors and are presented with the floor to ceiling windows, detailed ceiling and feature fire place of the entrance lobby, it's immediately apparent that you've just entered a truly exceptional home.

The open plan living spaces are enhanced by marble floor tiles throughout. The granite feature walls and timber add warmth and an understated elegance to the home, while not detracting from the stunning exterior views of the garden and canal.

True resort-style living.





Family Haven

This beautiful home in Shenton Park is the fourth home built by the Zorzi Group for this family.

Delivering traditional design elements, with a twist of contemporary flair, the family friendly layout features a children's wing, separate guest accommodation, and an open plan living area with bi-fold doors that lead to an impressive outdoor entertaining area.





Modern Classic

An unusual block with a 2m drop in the centre was no obstacle for the Zorzi design team in creating this Nedlands home that is full of warmth and character.

The owners were looking for a classic feel with a design ideal influenced by the style of American architect Frank Lloyd Wright. The Zorzi Design team addressed this with extensive use of natural elements such as stone and wood applied in a modern, sophisticated way in an open plan design.

Constructed by Grandwood by Zorzi, the attention to detail can be seen in the quality finish that is evident in every aspect of the home, from the under stair lighting to the built in solid timber cabinetry and shelving.

The skilful construction of the staircase leading to the upper level of the home, with solid timber treads suspended out of a granite clad wall, create an impressive feature at the entry of the home.





Complimenting the stylish front façade, the garden area at the front of the home features custom built stone and concrete planters.

The rear alfresco, which is accessed from the central open plan living area of the home also includes some unique design aspects such as a custom made barbeque structure and timber clad ceiling.

The alfresco looks out over the sparkling pool, as do several other rooms of the home including the office which incorporates a floor to ceiling window which cantilevers out over the pool.

The classic features combined with the modern design strategies seen throughout this home make it a stylish and functional family home.





The Marina

This stunning home from the Grandwood Aspire range, was awarded the HIA WA Golden Key Award for Display Home of the Year 2013.

The Aspire range offers design solutions for families who are interested in a luxury custom built home and are seeking reference points and ideas to enable the Zorzi design team to create their individual home.

Built on a 300 sqm narrow lot, The Marina is a modern classic stylised home, perfectly suited to beachside living.





Sophisticated design elements such as timber clad columns at the entry enable an open plan design yet with clear separation of living spaces.

Ponds along the side of the home provide a water feature that is visible from both the interior and alfresco area.

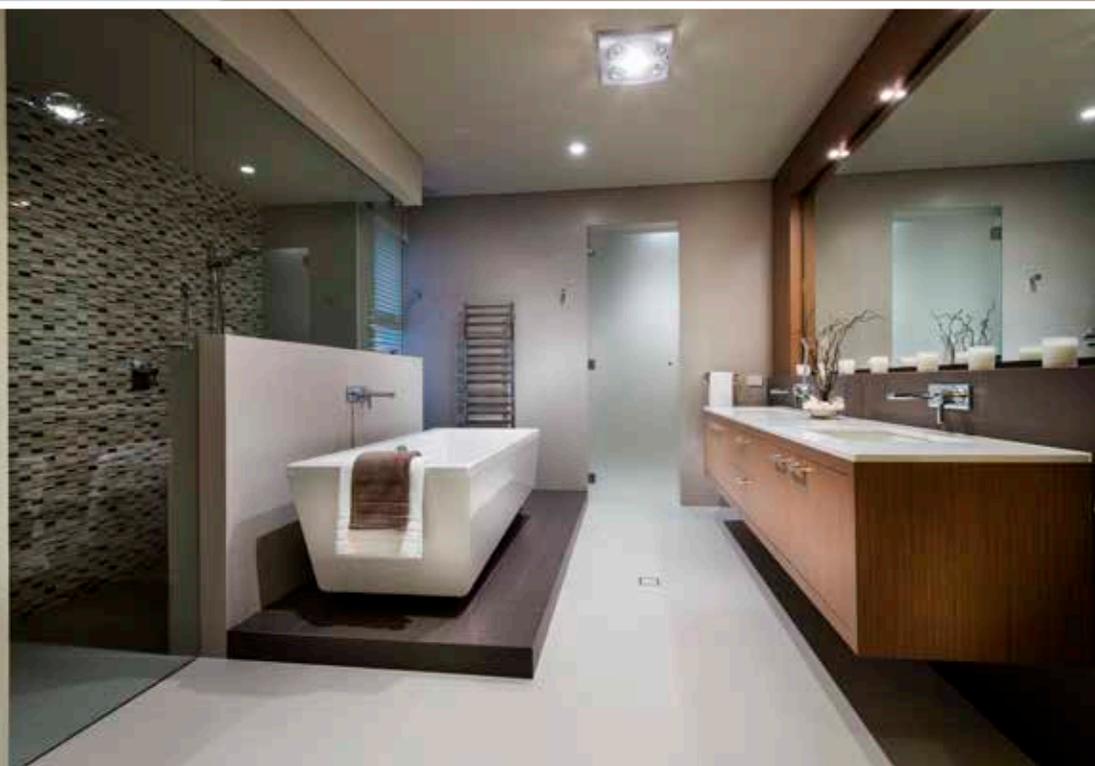
Upstairs the two children's bedrooms are separated from the spectacular hotel-style master suite - complete with ocean views a walk in robe and an enviable en-suite.

Display Location:

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The Green

For those who in the past may have considered a Zorzi home inaccessible to them, the new Grandwood Aspire range of homes offers young families an aspirational starting point to their first luxury custom built home.

'The Green' display home in Churchlands showcases a design which takes full advantage of corner block sites. The home features 4 bedrooms plus study, 2 bathrooms and a powder room along with 3 internal living areas. The open plan design provides a seamless transition between indoor & outdoor living areas and the state of the art kitchen, which comes complete with a butlers kitchen.



The awards won by Zorzi Builders and Grandwood by Zorzi, recognize the level of detail required and the finishes achieved by the many artisans needed to complete a Zorzi home. In many cases, several specialist trades will collaborate on a particular piece of the design, strategy and sequence of work flow, in order to achieve just one of the fine details which can be found in Zorzi homes.

- 1998 MBA Australian Residential Builder of the Year
- 2004 MBA Australian home of the Year
- 2008 HIA Australian home of the year award
- 2009 HIA Australian Outdoor project of the year award
- 2011 HIA National Display home of the year award

Grandwood by Zorzi's most recent success came at this year's HIA WA Awards. The Marina by Grandwood Homes has won the HIA WA Golden Key Award for Display Home of the Year 2013. Grandwood has been the recipient of this most prestigious award on 2 previous occasions, being in 1996 and 2002.

In addition, Grandwood is also celebrating winning the award for HIA Speculative Home of the Year 2013.



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If you're considering building your dream home, chances are you've been dreaming away for a while now.

You can visualise the chef's kitchen - with the enormous walk in pantry, the alfresco area where you'll be wining and dining friends throughout the summer, oh and of course the fabulous master suite with that dressing room, the one that would make the likes of Sarah Jessica Parker envious. It's possible though that the exact location of that stunning dream home is still a little unclear? If that's the case and you're still researching land options then there's one Perth location that should be at the top of your to view list.

PORT COOGEE

Just a few minutes south of Fremantle, this exclusive coastal neighbourhood offers one of the most unique opportunities to enjoy a waterfront lifestyle within the Perth metropolitan area.

Spanning more than 85 hectares and overlooking the stunning waters of Cockburn Sound, this \$2 billion residential project has won multiple awards including the 2012 National Awards for Environmental Excellence and Best Residential Development; 2013 Western Australia Award for Urban Water Excellence; and Winner of the Property Council of Australia Innovation & Excellence Awards 2013 for Best Master Planned Community.

Given the awards, it's no surprise that the demand for this waterfront property literally reached record highs. When 28 blocks on the Peninsula were first released in 2007 the auction yielded \$78million for developer Australand - believed to be the highest value ever achieved for a single project auction in Australia.

Attended by AFL footballers, local high flyers and international investors the 800 strong bidders, demonstrated the demand for this exclusive coastal neighbourhood. The most coveted block was a 509 sqm block on the corner of the Peninsula which offered panoramic ocean and island views and achieved an impressive sale price, just shy of \$4million.

At the heart of the design for the Port Coogee waterfront estate was the desire to develop a community that would offer a lifestyle in itself.

This luxurious neighbourhood incorporates parkland, family friendly beaches and continues the bike path that runs along the coast and extends to Woodman Point. This exclusive coastal estate will also one day bring together café's restaurants, shops, and a waterside amphitheatre.

Although the initial Peninsula lots were quickly snapped up, good news for those still interested in exclusive waterfront property is that lots are available on Seaspray Island.

Seaspray Island has been likened to the world-famous and award winning One°15 Marina Club in Singapore, one of Asia's finest marina clubs and it offers discriminating buyers an exclusive opportunity to be a part of this stunning coastal

community via a striking 24 metre bridge. Lots on Seaspray Island are currently available from \$1.775 million and include their own private boat mooring.



One°15 Marina Club in Singapore

Like your coffee with a view? The new Dome Café overlooking stunning Cockburn Sound at Port Coogee



Artist impression



If you're a boat lover, a sea lover or just want to retire to a coastal community that offers it all - Port Coogee has now been established at the forefront of waterfront developments, all in the heart of the Perth metropolitan region.

Whilst you're there, make sure you check out the stunning new award winning display home built by Grandwood by Zorzi - located at 48 Pantheon Ave, Port Coogee (sneak peak pg's 128-129)

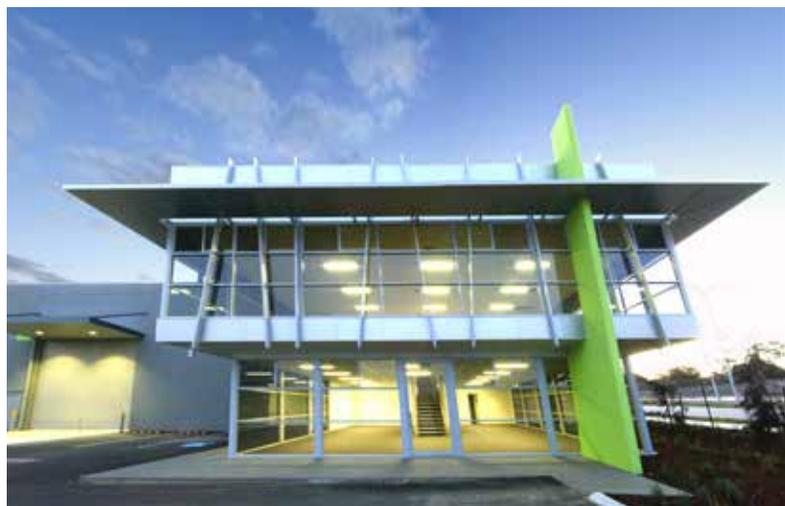
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A photograph of a modern house at dusk. The house is on the left, with large windows and a balcony. The lawn is green and well-maintained. There are several trees, including a large one in the center and a row of smaller ones in the background. The sky is dark blue with some clouds. The overall mood is serene and elegant.

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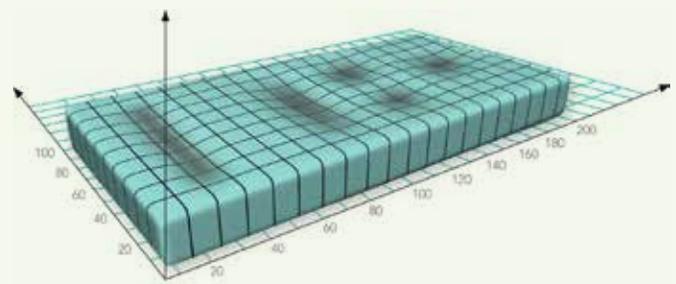
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Contemporary Beach Chic

The epitome of a sophisticated yet relaxed and casual modern Australian beach house, this home mixes urban chic with coastal cool. The high quality finish and clever combination of architectural elements is a testament to the skill of award winning builders, Zorzi South.



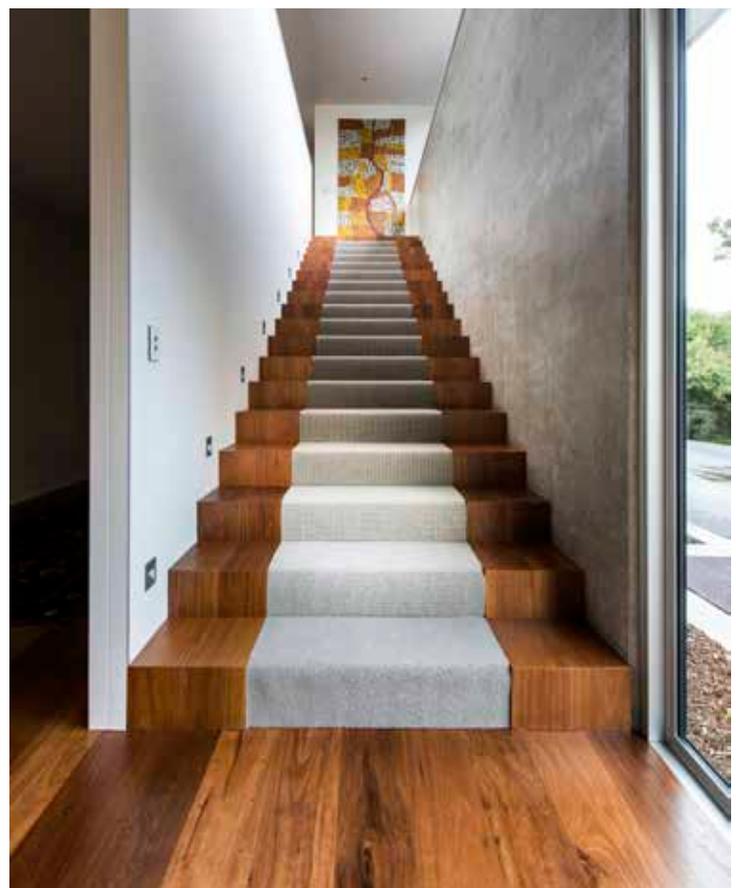
Set high on top of the sand dunes overlooking the beach at Eagle Bay, the location of this landmark home was inspirational in its design. The organic warmth of natural timbers contrasts perfectly with the more industrial feel of a polished concrete feature wall on the staircase and the matching polished plaster of the fireplace.

The home has an understated elegance, although comes complete with every convenience one could ask for, including a customised lift and a cool room.



While the entire exterior is vertically clad in Pacific teak, the interior of the home features recycled tallow wood floorboards, painted white cedar-lined ceilings and walls and solid cedar feature cabinets.

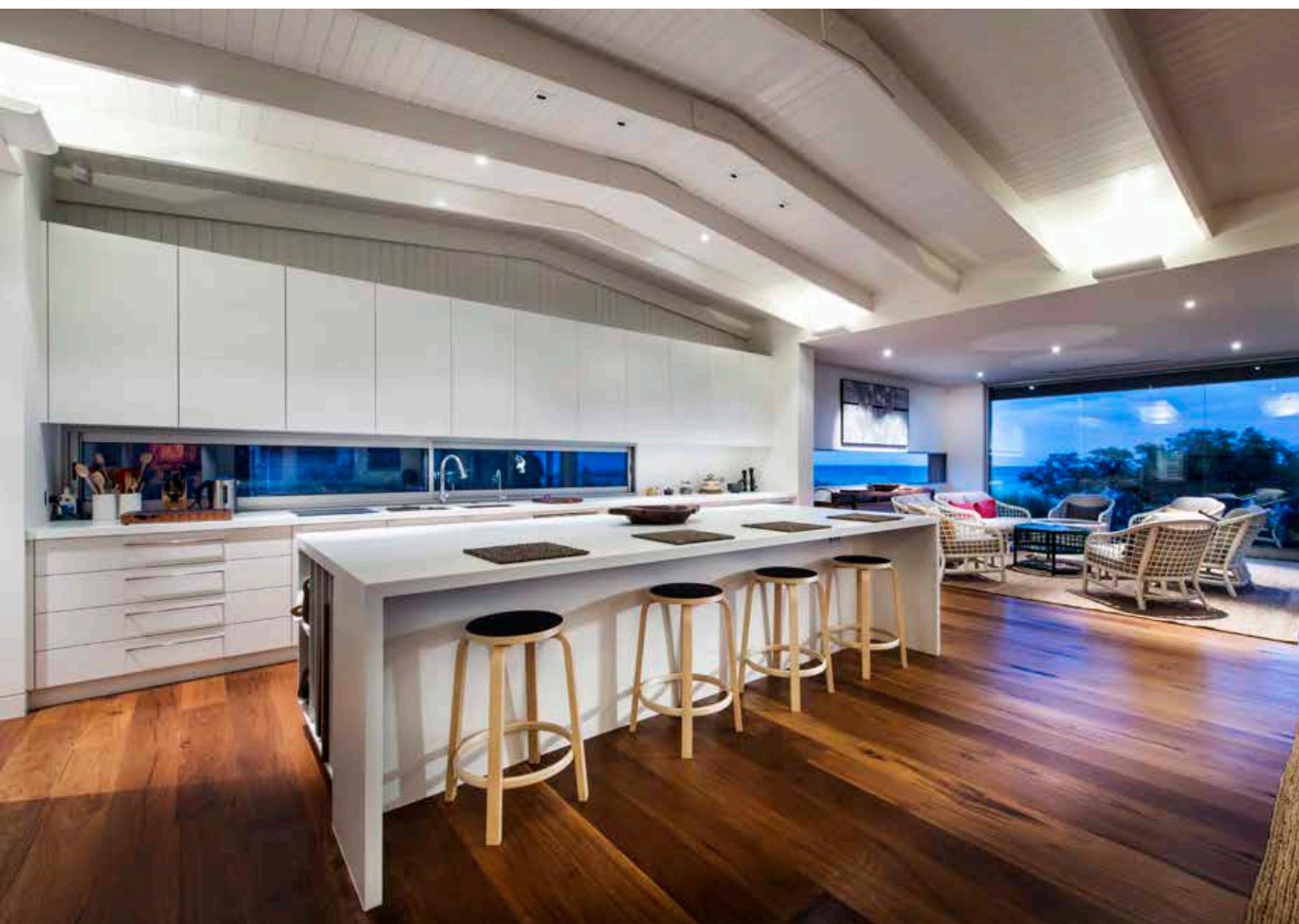
Natural light flows effortlessly into the huge open plan living and dining space, thanks to massive double-glazed sliding stacker doors, which blur the lines between indoors and out, and allow fresh sea breezes to float gently into the home.





The crisp white-lacquered entertainer's kitchen showcases a clean, streamlined aesthetic with a vast range of storage options, from the banks of wide drawers to the wall of overhead cabinets and the butler's pantry, keeping clutter to a minimum. Appliances include an Ilve stove, integrated dishwasher and microwave plus the all-important cool room. A smooth glacier white Corian benchtop features on the large central island bench.

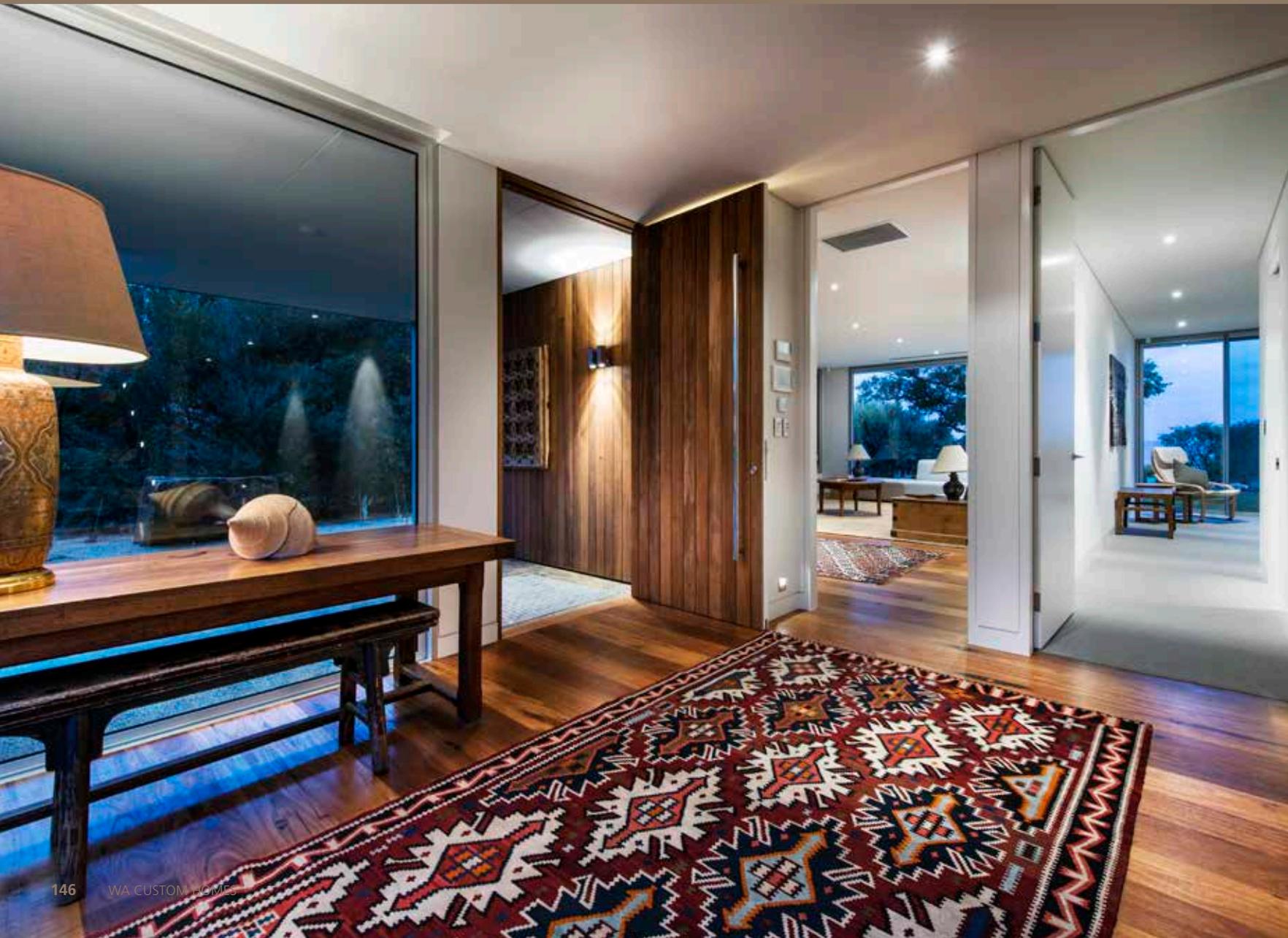
Wide hallways, together with the clever use of glass and carefully positioned lighting, enhance the sense of space throughout the home.

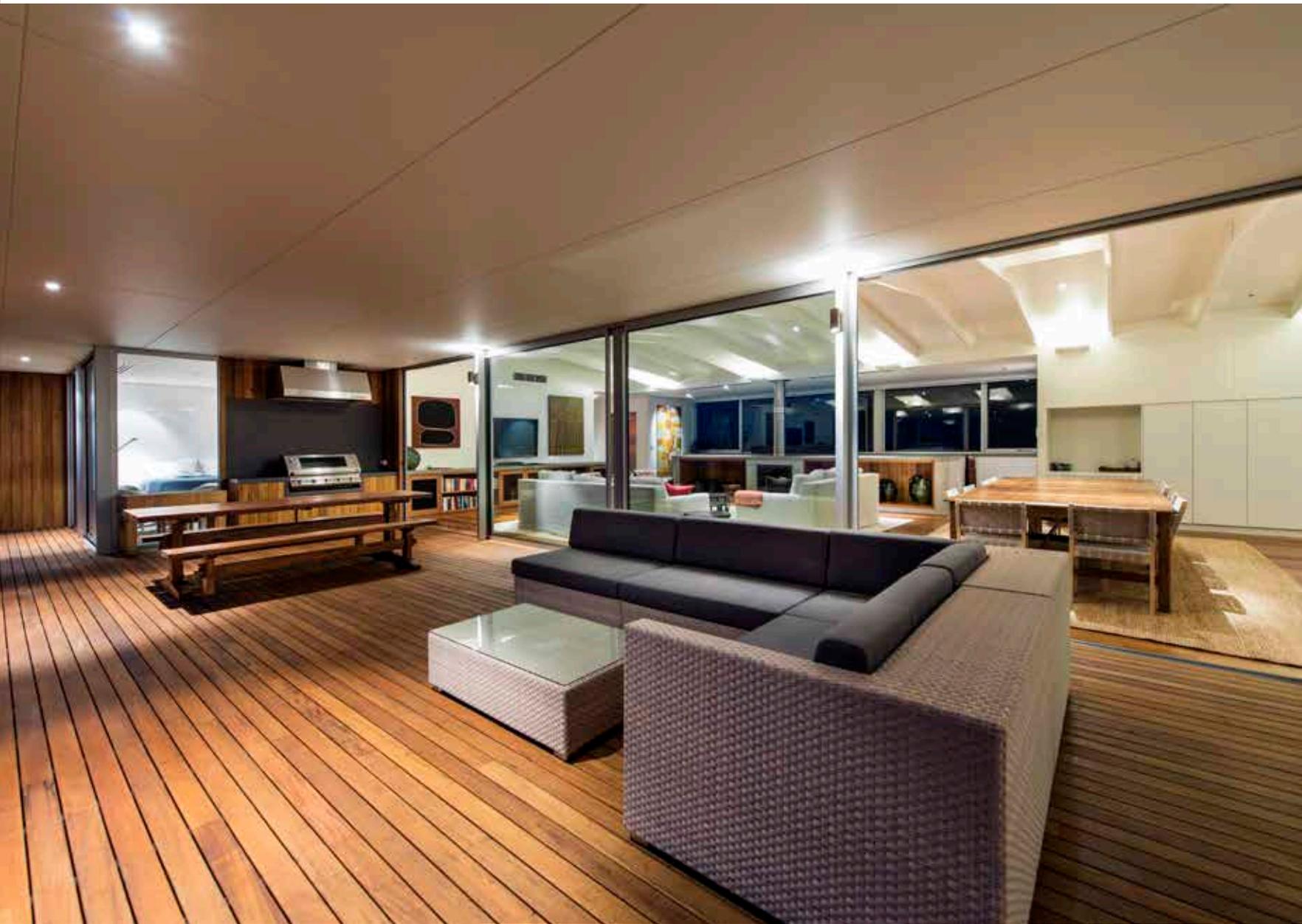




The master bedroom offers a dressing room plus a spacious and inviting open ensuite with Fontainebleau stone benchtops and floors, plus a sleek cedar wall-hung double vanity.

The teak motif is continued on the huge covered balcony, which is ideal for alfresco entertaining on a grand scale. Whether dining or lounging, point blank views of the pristine beach, wide blue ocean and rugged coastline provide the perfect backdrop.

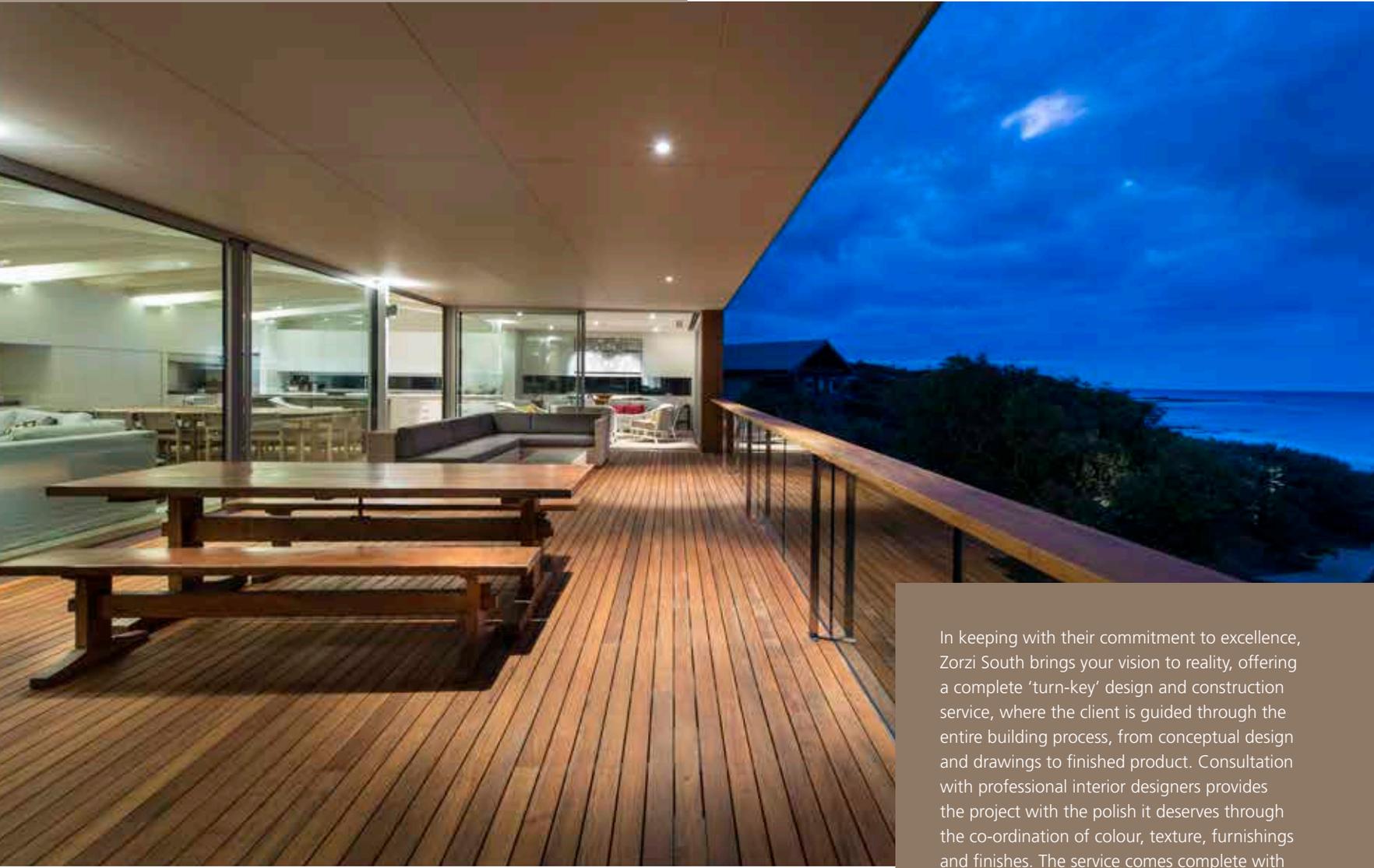




This latest addition to the impressive Zorzi South portfolio reinforces the company's reputation for building homes to the highest levels of craftsmanship.

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Five-star sanctuary

Set over two prized beachfront blocks of land in Busselton, it's hard to believe this stunning landmark residence was previously a 1980's plain brick bungalow.

This luxury Tallwood home cleverly combines the highest quality construction and finishes with a relaxed and stylish ambience.







The brief given to Tallwood Constructions by their client was to keep the basic structure of the home but “bring it kicking and screaming into the 21st century,” and this goal has certainly been achieved.

The striking façade of this Mediterranean-inspired home features extensive use of Yallingup limestone cap rock cladding, which is contrasted with the grey Modwood decking and Ocean Blue cross-cut travertine floor tiles.



The home's new design showcases the smooth integration of indoor and outdoor living. There's no doubt the focus is firmly on those spectacular ocean views. Opening up the wide bi-fold doors which run across the front of the home brings the feeling of being right on the beach, looking straight out into

the vast Indian Ocean. The spacious ground floor living and dining areas are open plan with the option to segregate each space, thanks to a bank of glass concertina doors. This is especially handy during the winter months, when the stone-clad corner fireplace brings warmth to this area.



Each of the five large bedrooms have their own ensuite bathroom, with the master suite located on the first floor featuring floor-to-ceiling windows and commanding views across Geographe Bay, back to Dunsborough.

On the first floor, the home offers an additional living area with built-in study nook, a small second kitchen and large alfresco entertaining area, with ocean views of course, creating the option of a completely self-contained space.

The contemporary main kitchen is predominantly white gloss with walnut American black veneer feature cabinets, creating optimal storage space, plus quality integrated Siemens appliances including a floating stainless steel range hood above the central island bench.





Cedar linings have been used for external and internal ceilings to add warmth and complement the palette perfectly. While the fittings are top quality and luxurious, beautiful timber flooring and white shutters also feature throughout the home, enhancing the relaxed beach house atmosphere.

At the rear of the home, an outdoor beach shower is set within a stone feature grotto, providing a charming feature with a Mediterranean feel as well as a practical use. This area also offers a stone cascade water feature which is contrasted by Kimberley Stone and exposed aggregate paving.



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Building a Happy, Healthy Home



Health is one of the quality of life factors that are measured regularly in the Happiness Index, and part of the definition is a balance between mind and body and between people and the environment.

We know sleep, exercise and eating well are important, but what we often haven't paid enough attention to is the role our environment plays in our own and our family's health.

We cannot always control our external world, but now a growing body of research is focused on what is happening inside our homes, and a major concern is increasing radiation exposure.

Radiation is everywhere of course. Natural sources, including the sun, have been present since the earth was formed. But in the last 200 years, industrial and building technologies have increased the artificial human-produced sources of radiation.

Exposure to radiation, even at only a fraction of the 'safe' limits set by governments have links to cancer, fertility issues, blood pressure problems, leukaemia and lowered immunity, compromising our overall health and well being.

Patrick van der Burght – director of Geovital Academy Australia, a company that advises people on building strategies to minimise radiation in the home says,

“What is becoming much clearer is the role that radiation exposure in our own living and sleeping spaces plays on our health.

After all, if we think about it our home is where we spend most of our time and the bedroom is where we are supposed to rest and regenerate.”

Mr van der Burght says. “Most people would be very surprised to know that inside the wall of their home produces electric field exposure in about 95 per cent of people when we measure their body whilst lying in bed. Power cables along the street, even if underground, can produce low level radiation which can have many negative health effects.”

Mr Van der Burght became interested in this work after a family health scare encouraged him to make lifestyle changes and learn about natural therapies.

His research led him to Germany and to Geovital in Austria, a naturopathic health clinic involved in natural therapies for 30 years. Geovital is now a worldwide authority on radiation protection in the home. Its continuing research confirms co-relations between this constant exposure and ill health, and documents a significant improvement in many clients' health after intervention.

Although Geovital can implement strategies to minimise radiation exposure in existing homes, an optimum time to consider solutions is when a house is being built.

Mr Van der Burght explains Geovital's consultative role in the building process: “What we do is analyse the building plans and identify weaknesses in the design that may expose occupants to unnecessary levels of radiation. The changes we suggest essentially occur behind the scenes and have no visible impact in the home. As an example we may ask the electrician to run the wiring a little differently or install switches which will essentially cut power to an entire circuit when the use of electricity stops. This eliminates radiation that would normally be present in areas like bedrooms when you are sleeping. When, let's say a bedside light, is switched on, power is instantly returned.”

In addition to modifications to the electrical wiring design, other solutions that may be recommended by Geovital include a shielding mesh which is used inside the wall cavity. The mesh minimises the exposure from transmitters such as mobile towers, smart meters, and internal wiring. Alternatively a shielding paint can be used on the wall which can be painted and wallpapered over with similar effect.

They say you can't put a price on health, and yet surprisingly the cost to protect yourself and your family from excessive radiation exposure is relatively minimal in your overall building budget. It is in the bedroom where we all spend eight hours or more a night to rest and regenerate that protection is most important and protection of a single bedroom costs on average around \$3000 - not a lot to pay for that healthy and happy balance between mind, body and the environment.

In an ideal scenario however, the consultation process should start some time prior to the commencement of building, in fact prior to choosing your building site.



“We can help people who have not bought land as yet to measure for radiation exposure on a potential site”, says Mr Van der Burght.

“Unfortunately there is a rare type of radiation that cannot be shielded against and getting us involved early in the process could prevent potential disaster by avoiding the purchase of a site with serious and unfixable problems.”

And as for how the builders and architects view Geovital strategies? “To date no one we have worked with has had a problem implementing these changes. In fact most architects and tradespeople find it fascinating and are interested in learning more on the subject”. Says Van der Burght

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Mr Van der Burght is a popular speaker on the subject of radiation exposure and the effects on your health.

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A major obstacle for Quaine was to retain the front façade because the wall was failing. This necessitated the removal of the northern boundary wall and the concrete underpinning of the existing limestone foundations. All was complicated further by limited site access however in the end this home has been stunningly rejuvenated and restored to its absolute former glory. It is authentic and luxurious in every detail from the restoration and re-use of beautiful feature items such as the historic stained glass windows and the excellent and quality finishes used throughout the house.



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Known somewhat for his eccentricities, Christian Maas has been labelled as one of the great contemporary sculptors of the 21st Century. Maas works in a traditional way in both bronze and aluminium to produce pieces that are truly unique. Humorous, bizarre and often erotic his works include animalia, life size 'Bond' girls, and celebrity representations including those of Grace Jones, Michael Jackson and more recently Kate Moss.

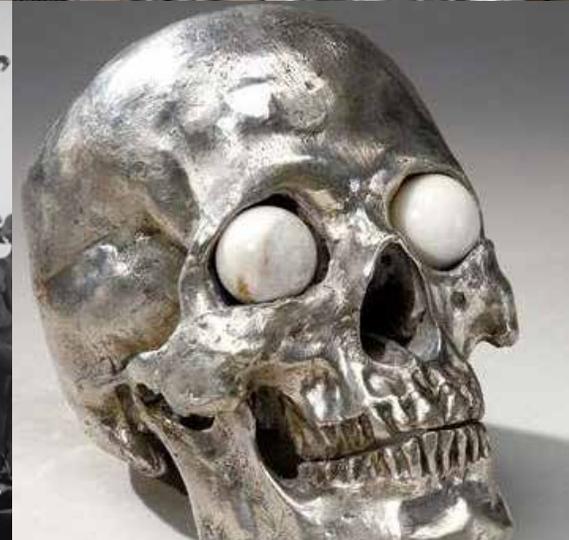
Since coming to the world's attention in the 1980s, Maas has won multiple awards and exhibited his symbolic and fantastic sculptures in New York, London, and the Middle East as well as his own galleries in Monaco and St Tropez. Maas has also been commissioned for over 100 public monuments, including de formula 1, a tribute to the Grand Prix found in Monaco.

Given the uniqueness of his work it's no surprise Maas has developed somewhat of a celebrity following, with friends and collectors such as Bridget Bardot and Prince Albert of Monaco.

In Australia, Christian Maas work is available exclusively through Melbourne art dealer, Sculptura based in High Street, Armadale.

According to gallery owner Sean Basset, Maas's profile is also now increasing in Australia. "We have several serious collectors now in both Sydney and Melbourne who love Christian's work and view him as one of the most significant sculpture artists of this time".

A new exhibition is planned for early 2014, additional information can be found at www.christianmaas.com.au





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The key to successfully displaying original art, is to achieve a balance of extracting the atmosphere from a unique piece while simultaneously maintaining the space as an area for work, entertainment, or rest. Considering the placement of art in the initial home design phase allows you to determine where art might best be placed, in the same manner you might discuss the ideal position for the lounge or television.

Large bare walls are obvious options for wall art, but there are a myriad of other considerations that can ensure your artwork is optimally displayed rather than it being an afterthought in the decorating process.

Wall recesses provide dedicated areas in which to hang art and lighting can be unobtrusively positioned within the recess to highlight the art.



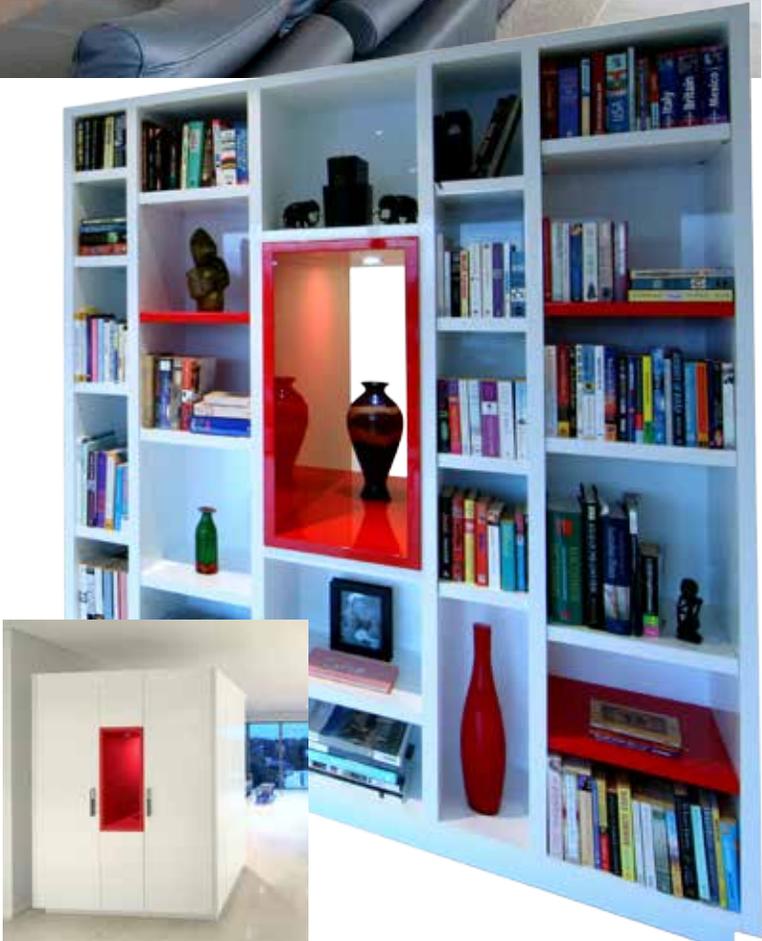
The textural change in this wall creates a perfect blank canvas for feature art. Image courtesy Zorzi South



The wall that divides this room becomes a floating platform for feature art (Image courtesy of Hedger constructions)



Original art is a dominant feature in the stunning home built by Tallwood Constructions with the use of recessed walls painted stark white to highlight the art and feature lighting.



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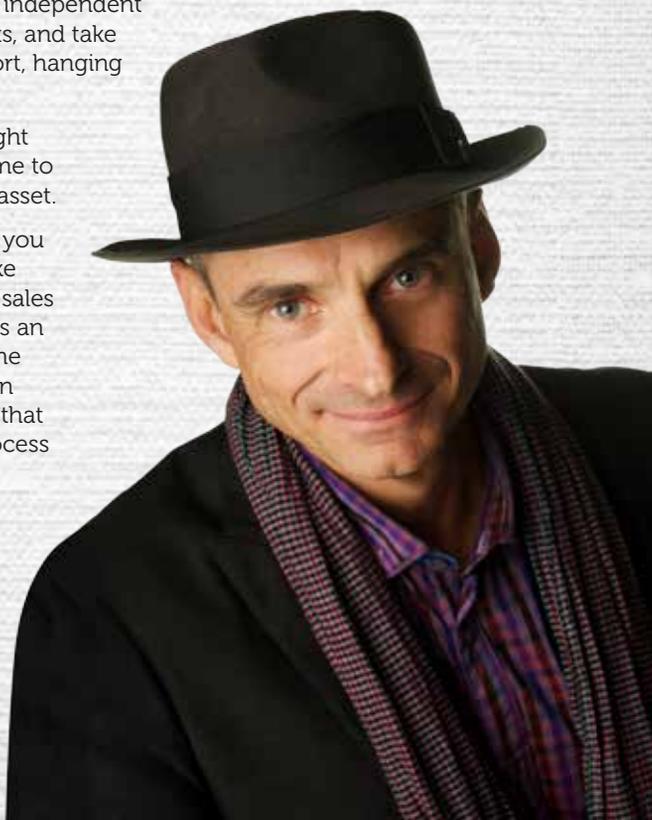


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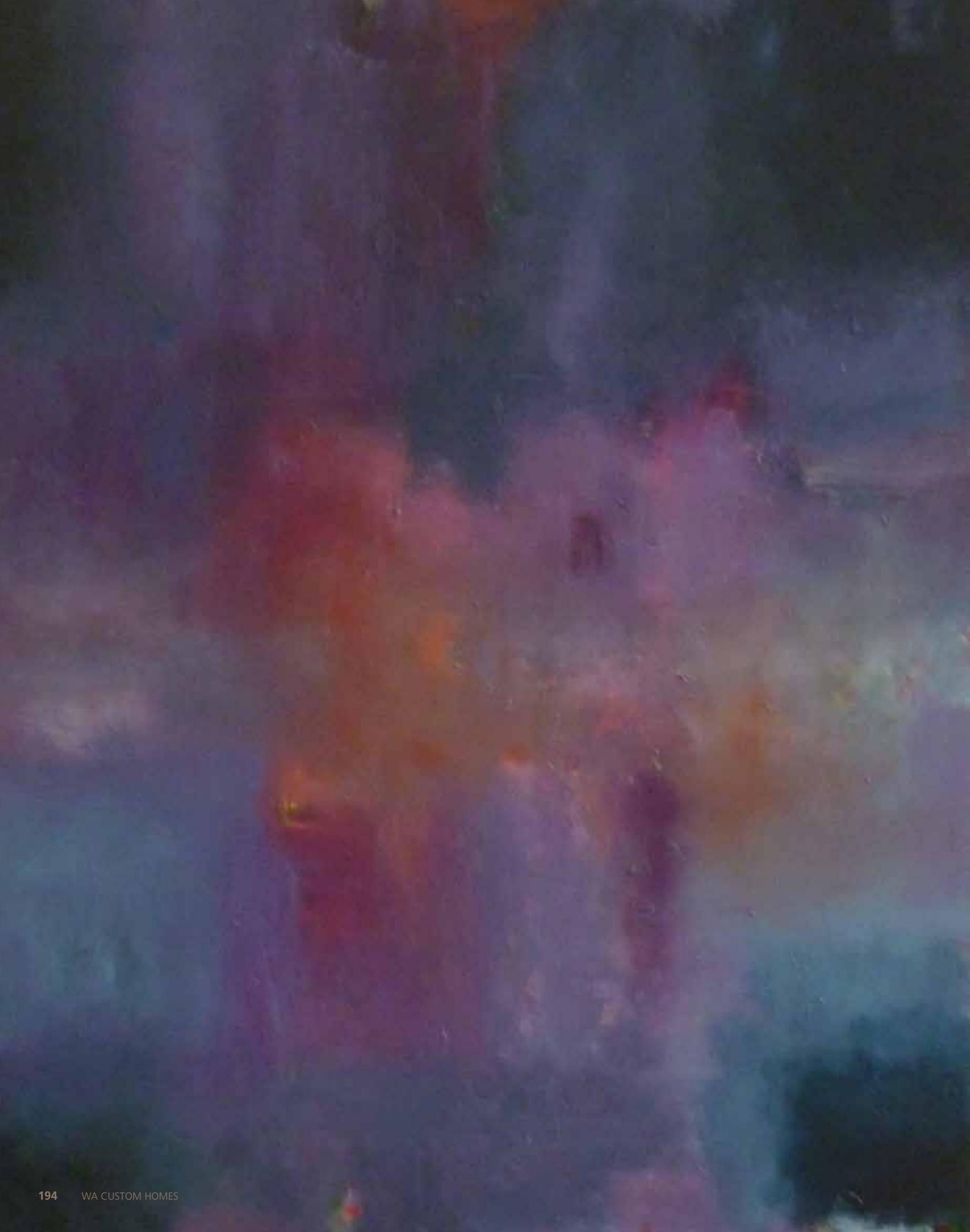


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Into the Mystic with David Giles

With 42 solo exhibitions, and dozens of art awards under his belt you'd be excused for expecting David Giles to be one of those stereotypical, somewhat affected 'artiste' types. However, nothing could be further from the truth for this passionate artist & gallery owner, who despite being heralded as one of Australia's most exciting contemporary painters, chooses to give back to the art community that he so loves.

Crediting his twenty year career to a near death drowning experience, the abstract work that has followed has been consistent in its appeal; largely

due to David's ability to create visually entrancing works with a spiritual depth that seem to permeate the ambience of the room.

The unique qualities of David's work are more easily understood when you hear David talk about the experience that came to define his work. In the ABC documentary titled "How Art Changed My Life: David Giles," Giles recalls the event,

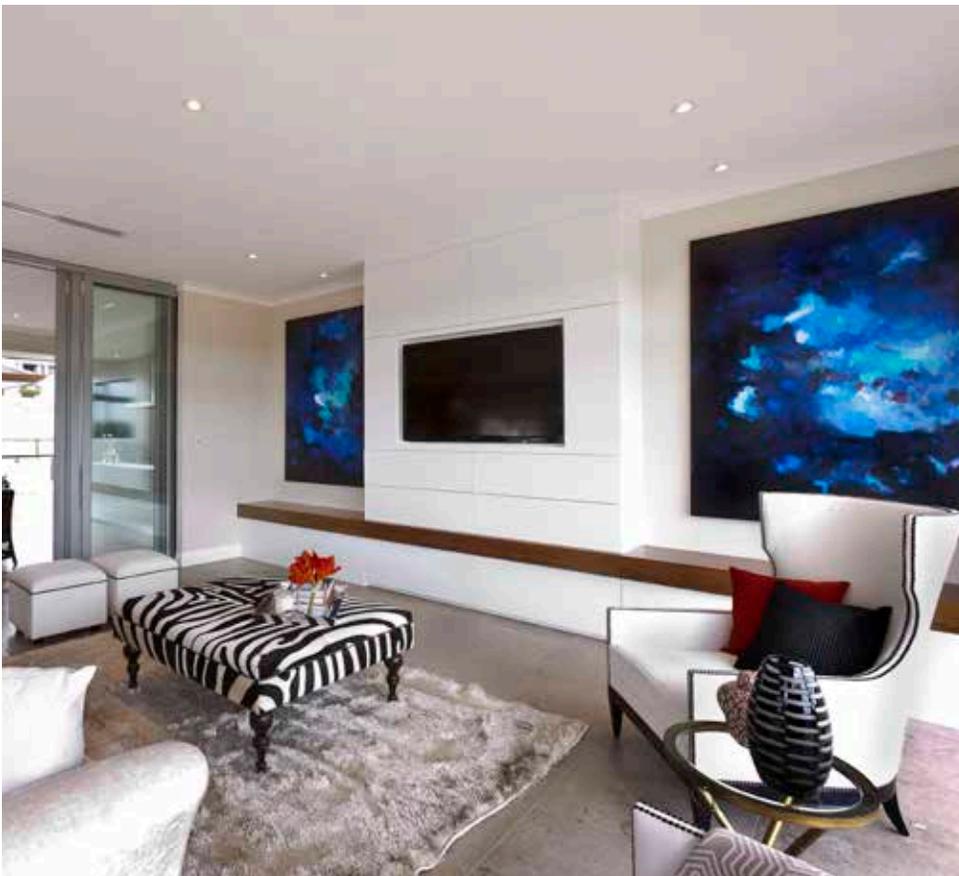
"In 1993 I was swimming and got taken out by a rip, getting tumbled by the big breakers off the Southern Ocean...I was in a full blown panic, at first, and then

I just had this thought that if I don't relax into this I will stay in this same sense of panic forever. So, I totally relaxed into it and it became a really beautiful, mystical, revelation-ary experience."

The artwork that has followed seems to have recaptured that mystical experience with a spiritual tranquility that continues to be a major theme in his art twenty years later. The eternally meditative mood present in Giles' work has seen his paintings grace the walls of corporate lobbies, hotels and private collections across the globe.



Top left: David Giles Cosmos 100 x 85cm
 Top Right: David Giles Approaching Storm 52 x 52cm
 Middle Right: David Giles Forest Lake 85 x 85cm
 Left: Oceanic 1 and Oceanic 2, each 180 x 120cm, installed in RiverStone Display Home



Giles now aims to give back to the art community that has supported him throughout his 20 year career via an educational endeavor called “The Freedom School of Painting”. Based at the David Giles Art Gallery in High St, Fremantle, The Freedom School works to empower individuals to follow their artistic passion and provides an outlet for artists to display their work.

The Freedom School is a place for artistic development where he mentors upwards of 32 students. Seven students from the program have so far gone on to become award-winning artists themselves.

A collection of David Giles work can be seen at the David Giles Art Gallery, 49b High St, Fremantle.

David also works on a commission basis for both residential and commercial projects.

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Choosing the best wines to cellar

Many custom-designed homes are now incorporating built-in wine cellars. There are great pleasures to be had from starting your own wine cellar, but a few pitfalls to be wary of, too. The Wine Society's Adam Booth explains how to avoid the latter and see more of the former.

Wine improves with age. We've all heard it, but as anyone knows who has ever been disappointed by that special bottle that's been hiding under the bed, there is a little bit more to it than that. The choice of cellaring location is critical, but no more so than the wine itself

Winemakers know that the majority of what they produce (as much as 90% according to some market research) will be consumed within 24 hours of purchase, so they make wines accordingly. Put these wines in your cellar and you'll only be storing up disappointment. There are plenty of varieties too that are simply better suited to early drinking (think sauvignon blanc, for one very popular example). Lay them down for a period of years and all you'll do is see the vibrant flavours fade and die.

As a result, there is a sea of wines that should be enjoyed while young and fresh and only a relative handful that will reward our patience. But it is in that handful of wines that the real magic lies. Wines that are made to age – and that have the qualities to match these lofty ambitions – deliver a more complex and interesting experience. It is an experience that develops over time, with each bottle opened showcasing its qualities at that particular moment, and asking the wine lover to assess whether the wine has hit its peak.

The challenge is to sort out the sprinters from the marathon runners. When starting a brand new cellar, how can you know which wines have the staying power?

There are never any guarantees of course – variation from vintage to vintage, even from bottle to bottle, ensures that; but there is plenty you can do to turn your cellar into a treasure trove rather than a graveyard for lifeless wines that have long since given up the ghost.



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Most wine lovers start by cellaring red wines and there is good sense in this. The tannins that are found (in varying quantities) in red wines are key factors in their potential longevity. Tannins, which in a young wine may be quite off-putting, provide the structure that allows the wine to age gracefully. As they break down, the wine gradually softens to reveal the complex and exciting secondary flavours that make aged wine so exciting. When selecting reds, look for wines with firm tannins as well as intense fruit flavours and good acidity.

White wines don't contain the tannins of their red counterparts, so acidity, which acts as a natural preservative, is much more important, keeping the wine in perfect condition as the secondary flavours begin to develop. Of course, you cannot simply pick the most acidic wines and hope for the best; the acidity must be in balance with the rest of the wine's flavour profile.

Balance should be at the forefront of your mind when choosing any wines for your cellar. Lay down an unbalanced wine for a few years and all you'll end up with is an older unbalanced wine. If anything, its youthful faults are likely to be exaggerated with age.

With these simple principles in mind, you can begin to make your selections with confidence. Big, bold red varieties that are naturally high in tannins, such as cabernet sauvignon and shiraz, are a great place to start and it's no surprise that these varieties dominate many Australian wine cellars. Some pinot noirs will age well too, but success varies, so while it is definitely a variety worth including in your collection, it is worth taking advice if this is an area on which you wish to focus.

A good cellar will be varied, with wines for all occasions, so it is important that whites are not neglected. Rieslings live long and exciting lives, gradually taking on rich, toasty and oily characters that beautifully complement the citrus notes of their youth. Chardonnay too has potential, but comes with the same caveat as pinot noir, so should be treated with caution. There is, though, another white wine that deserves space in every Australian wine cellar.

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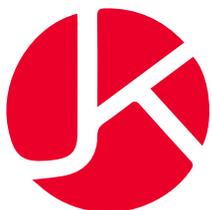
It can be a stunning transformation and a wonderful demonstration of the joys of cellaring wine, as you follow the wine from frisky youth, through its sullen teenage years to fully-fledged adulthood. Just make sure you buy at least a few bottles of each wine you wish to cellar, so that you can follow its development and still have some to enjoy when you're satisfied that it has reached its peak.







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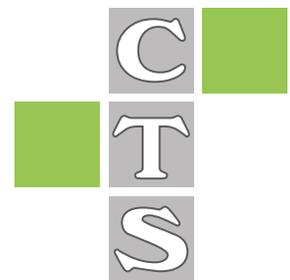
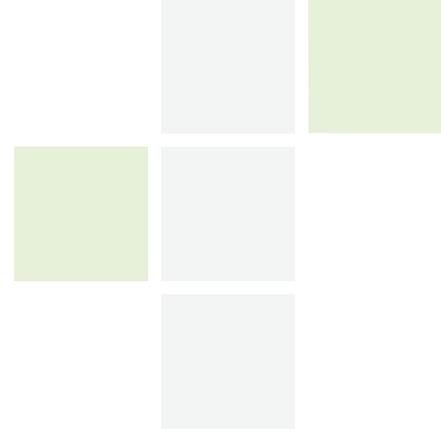
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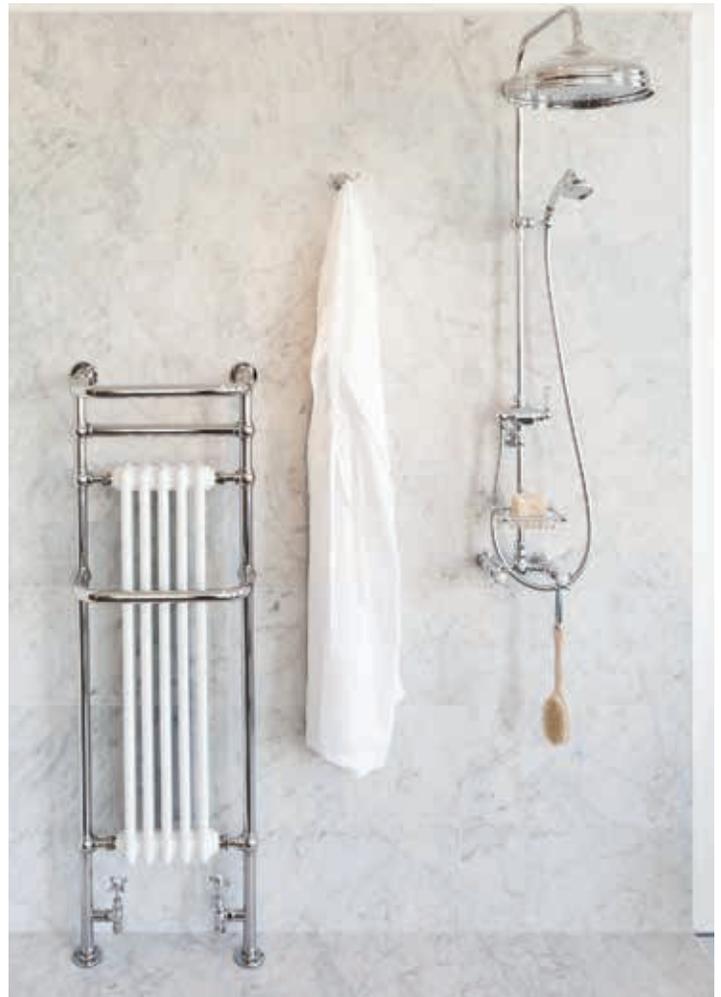
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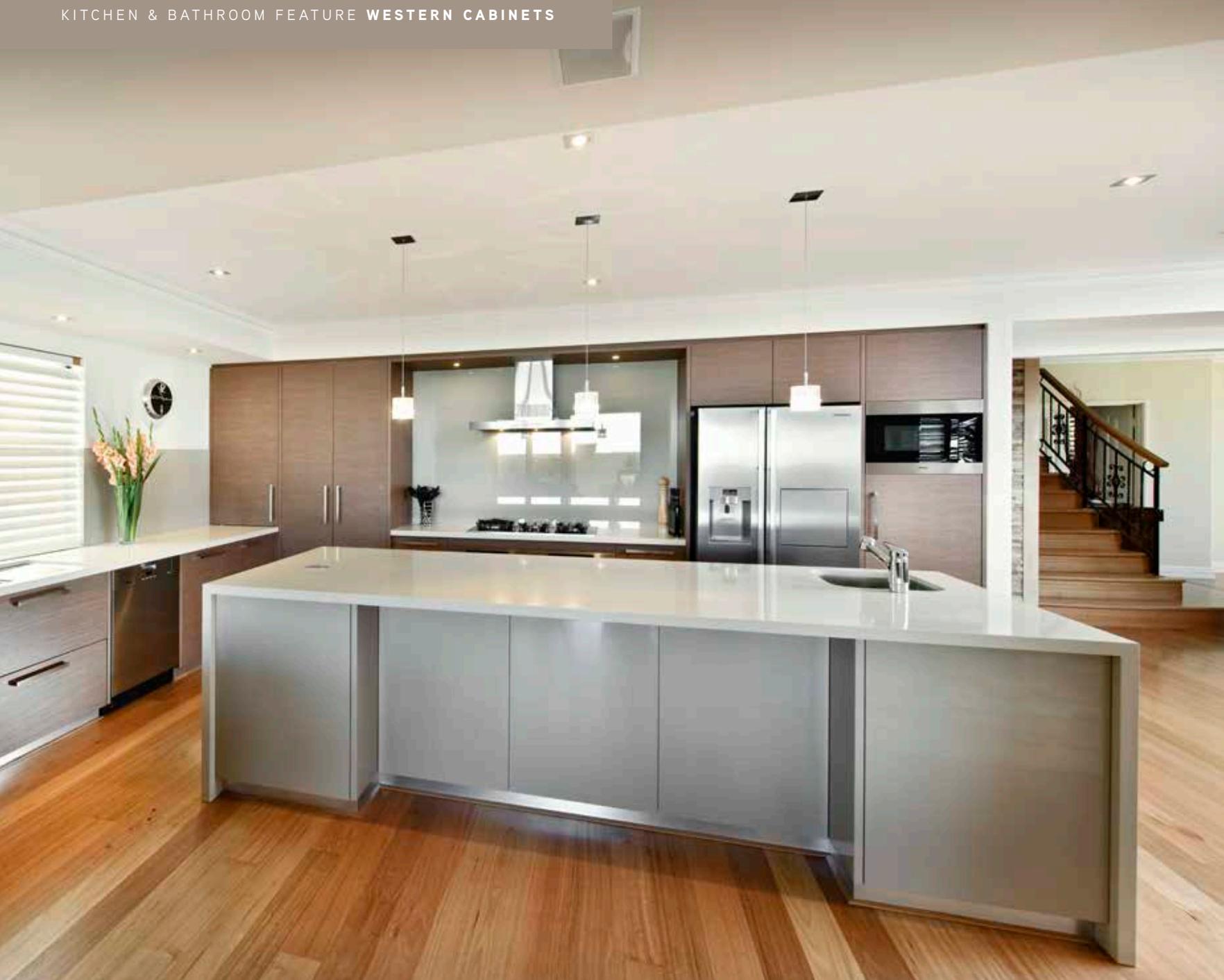
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This beautiful kitchen, winner of the 2011 HIA Kitchen Design of the Year, for Renovated Kitchen Project of the Year, and Renovated Kitchen Project over \$50,000, adds sophisticated and style to this luxury apartment overlooking the city.

American Oak and Elm Burl door panelling contrast with Caesarstone Buttermilk benchtops, an Autumn Perle Metaline splashback, and the pre-existing travertine marble floor to create a visually stunning kitchen. Integrated into the design are state-of-the-art Siemens stainless steel appliances, including an aCool refrigerator, wine cooler, oven, steam oven, and dishwasher. A separate scullery, combined with innovative storage solutions make this kitchen clutter-free, leaving plenty of room for preparation and serving and, of course, admiring.





This stunning, contemporary kitchen was the result of a design brief for a family home needing to upgrade from the original small, closed in kitchen to a new, highly functional and open plan kitchen, with ample storage and bench space.

The design focussed on integrating the kitchen, dining area, living room, alfresco and garden, so that the kitchen area became the central hub of the home. A standout feature of the design is the island cabinet, complete with waterfall stone benchtop ends and decorative feature mirror panels.

Sufficient storage was also a major consideration for the design of this kitchen. The pantry is equipped with pullout drawers, cut out shelving, and LED sensor lights for visibility. An additional pantry with shallow shelving adds more storage space.

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This beautiful French traditional style kitchen was designed by Penka Kolevova and manufactured by Western Cabinets. The kitchen space was large and irregular in shape, with high 3m ceilings. The owners were seeking a living kitchen, more furniture than cabinetry, and a finish of exceptional craftsmanship.

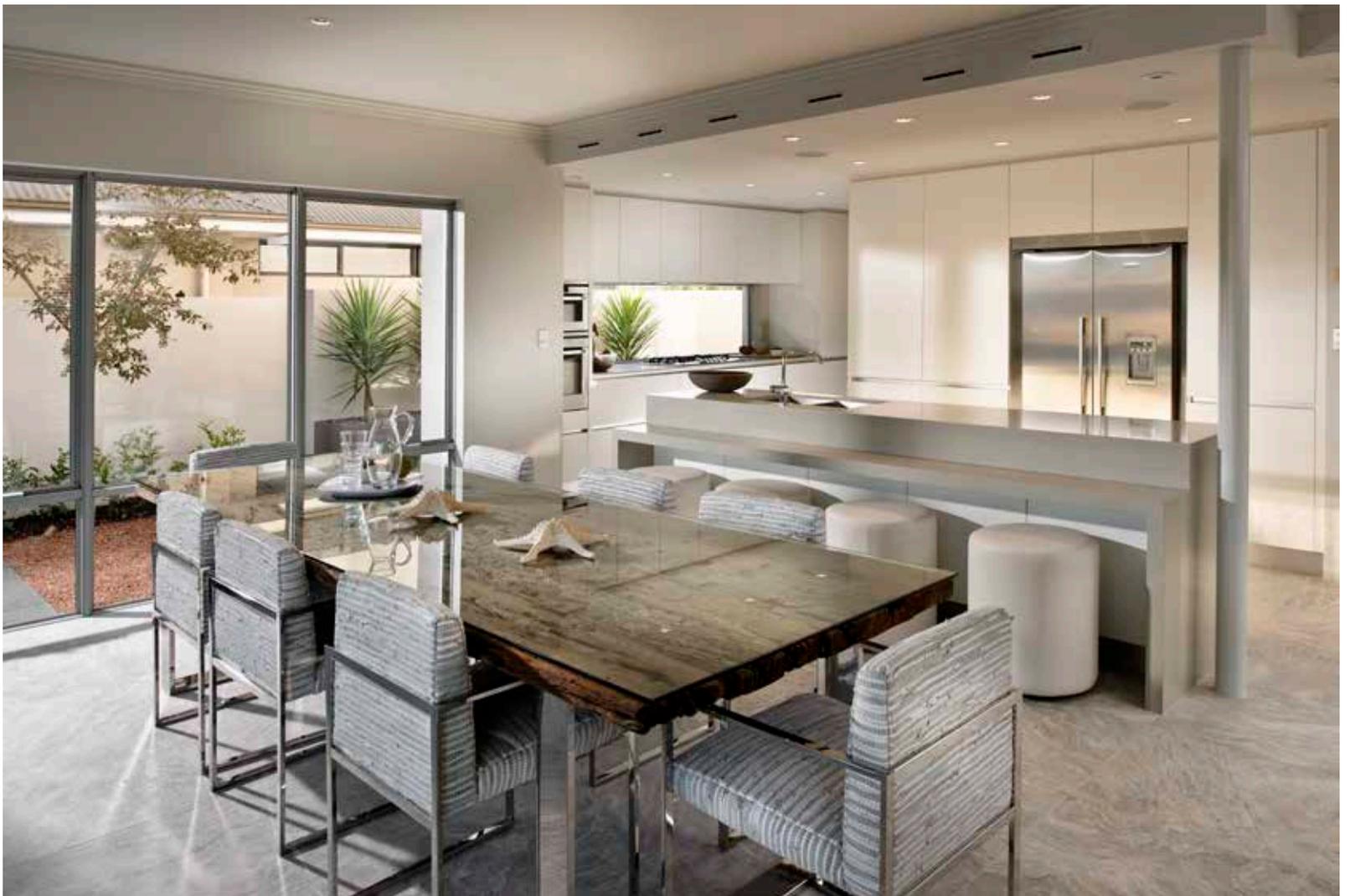
Featuring prominently on the design is the empirical faux chimney and mantle, complete with acanthus leaf corbels. Sitting underneath, a large live upright stove, undermount and Qasair rangehood. The kitchen doors and panels are solid American Oak, and hand painted pistachio green. Imported porcelain cabinet handles and gold gilt finishing adds definition and class.

The other prominent feature of this kitchen is the contrasting solid Makore timber island bench with Crema Marfil marble benchtop. The suspended pot hanger is hand crafted, with curved cabinetry ends, fish tail pattern detail to the sides, LED lighting to the underside and decorative custom wrought iron hangers.





Working many years abroad on the beautiful island of Bali was the design inspiration for this sleek and modern kitchen and bathroom. Though large and grand in appearance, the kitchen is simple in form and understated.





Engaged to revitalise tired and dated kitchen and bathroom areas, Kia Douglas and Western Cabinets have designed and built new and contemporary living spaces for the delighted owners.

Undoubtedly, the striking feature of this kitchen is the beautiful timber splashback. In stark contrast to the white panelling, the timber adds a focal point to the kitchen.

Twin Siemens ovens and an undermount Schweigen rangehood were chosen to create a clean and uncluttered appearance.

The kitchen is now highly functional and uncluttered, with ample bench space and storage. Innovative storage solutions, soft closing drawers and a hidden bifold appliance cabinet

The bathroom has a custom lit splashback which creates an abundance of light whilst also providing a beautiful feature. Suspended cabinetry along with a custom lift up mirror provide plenty of storage, whilst keeping the room light and uncluttered.







This multi-zoned European styled kitchen is both highly functional and beautiful. The kitchen's island benchtop forms the main cooking and serving zone, and is replete with hot plate, rangehood and storage. The rear bench allows landing space for cooking appliances and food preparation, and the sink area has a large inbuilt Hafele double waste bin, plus a fully integrated dishwasher, all hidden behind doors.

A large suspended custom built stainless steel Qasair rangehood creates a bold and sculptural statement. The island cabinetry appears suspended, mounted on a simple stainless steel leg and a low height drawer unit.

Navlam Grey Oak veneer in a sandblasted finish doors complement travertine marble floor tiles. Royal Oyster high gloss acrylic doors contrast with the textural, matt effect of the sand blasted veneer. Caesarstone White shimmer has been used to the underside of the benchtop. Pietra Grigia marble with honed finish forms a bold, natural and warm statement for the kitchen splashback.

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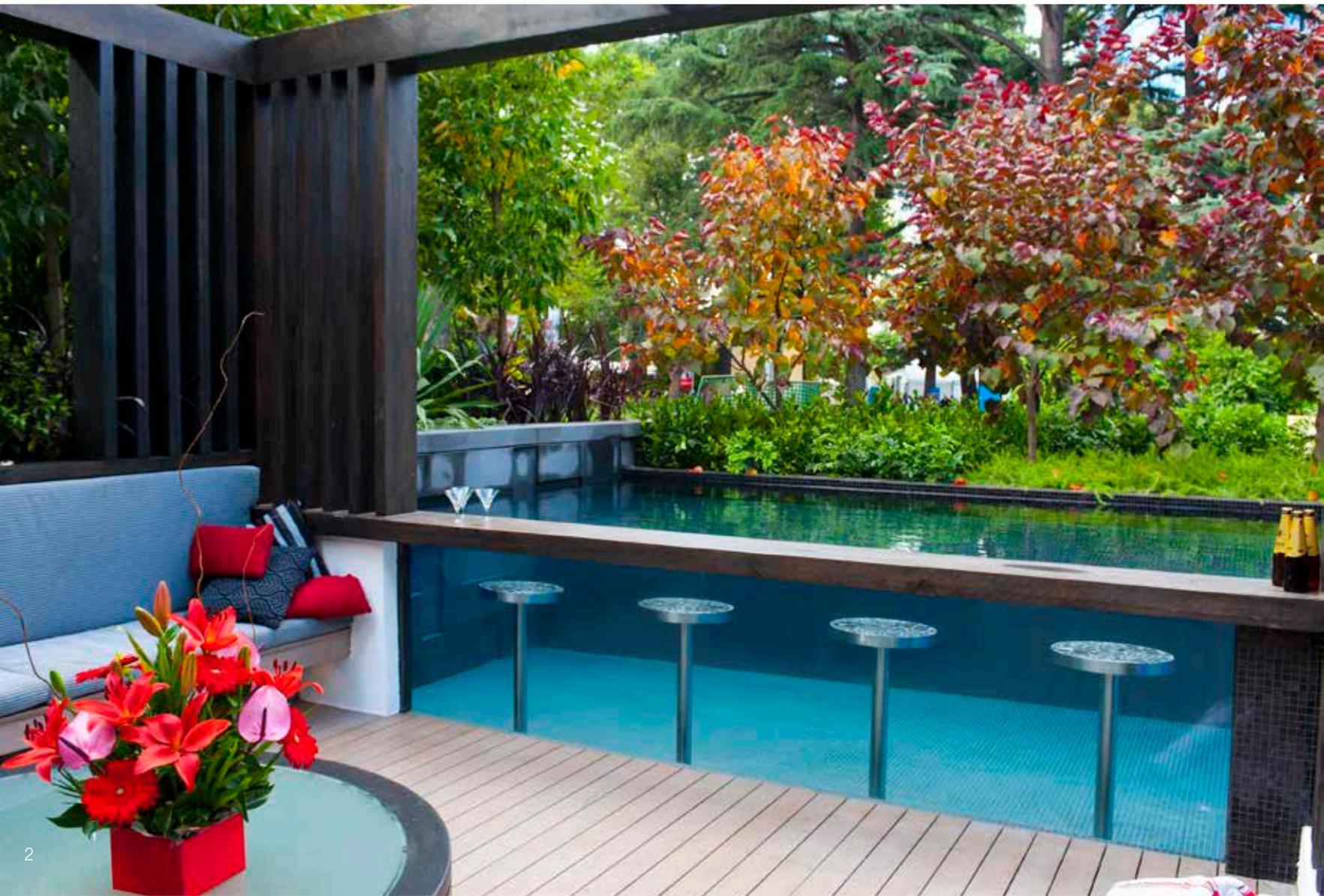


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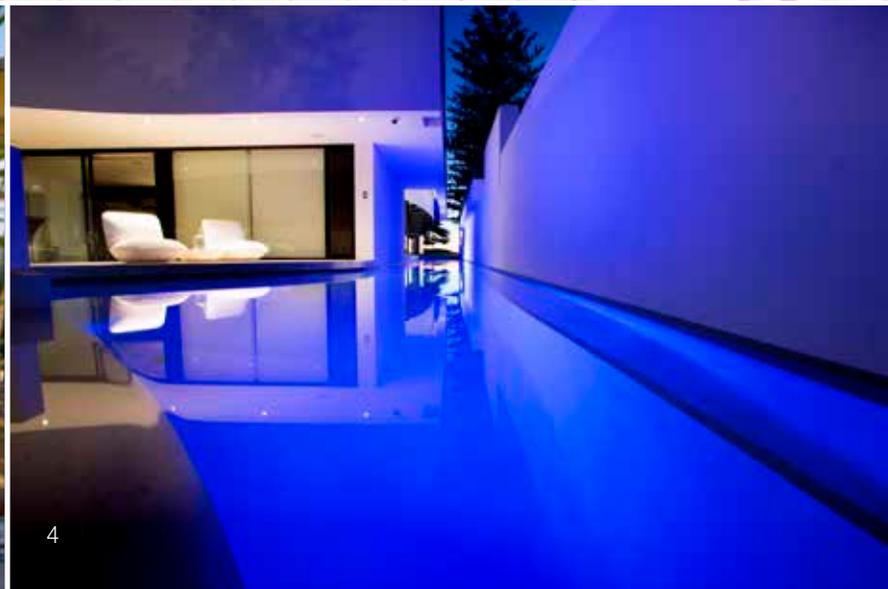
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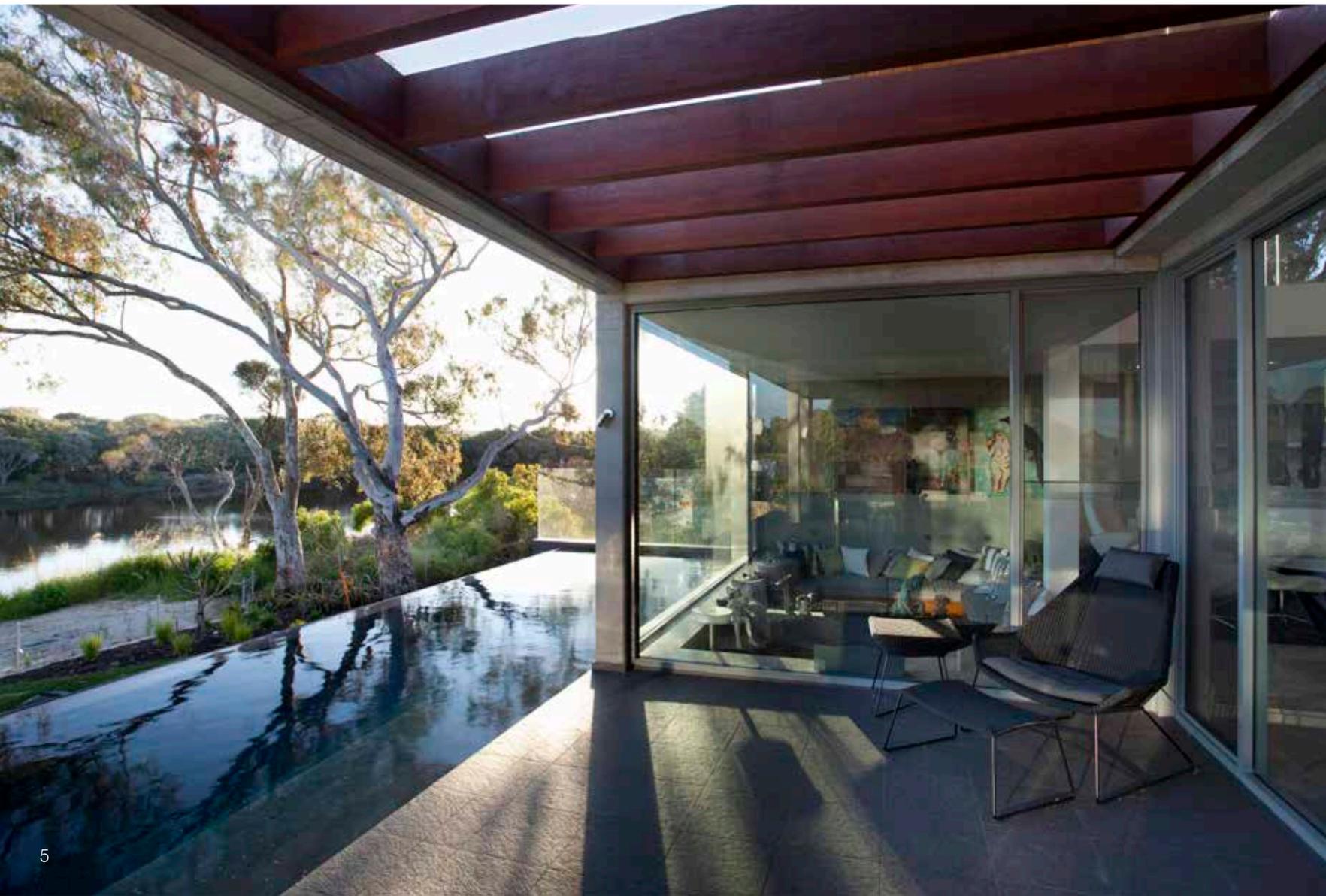


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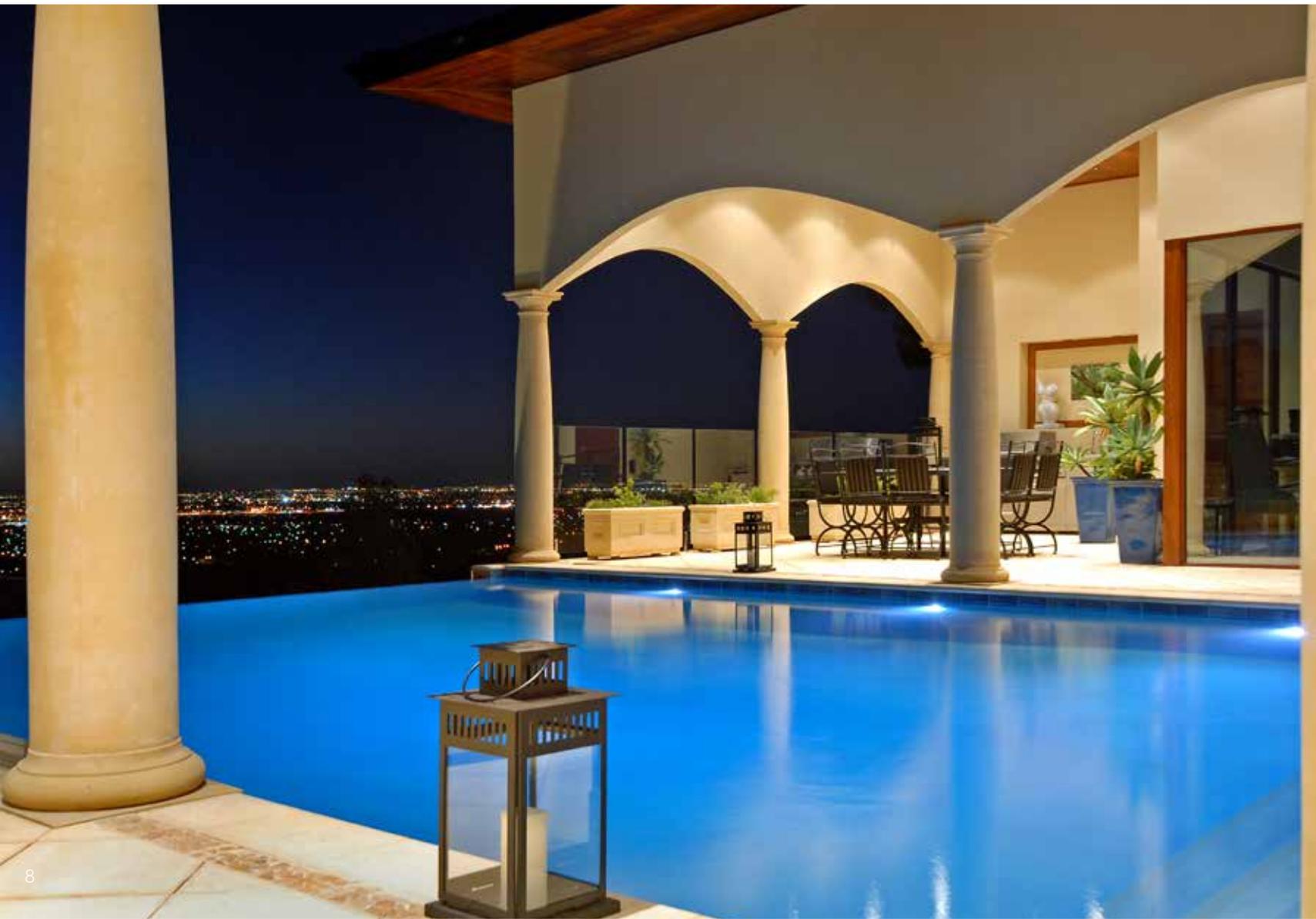


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