



Palm Springs Style at the Vintage

Photography Karl Hofman

The latest Yarrum Designer Homes offering has been a vision of Stephen Murray, the owner of Yarrum and his love of the movie, 'The Party', and all things Palm Springs.

The brief to his team in designing this home even suggested that they watch the iconic Peter Sellers' movie and they did just that!

This newly built 4 bedroom, 3.5 bathroom home at The Vintage, Rothbury offers contemporary style with more than a dash of the 1950s Palm Springs flair. Hence the name for Yarrum Designer Homes latest display home; the 'Palm Springs'.

Mid century or Desert Modernism evoked a lifestyle of simple elegance and informality with an emphasis on indoor-outdoor living. Today the style remains popular due to the interplay between sophisticated design and the stunning vista beyond.

Likewise, the Palm Springs with its skillion roof, soft white exterior with accents using recycled timbers, soft taupes, bronze and stone seamlessly integrates the home into the surrounding environment. >



This family residence has been created to meet the highest standards of modern family living. The home is made to feel breezy, light and open, without being cavernous; connected yet separate. The perfect set up for today's family.

Everything in the design is orientated to exploit its proximity to the golf course and the views of the Barrington Tops in the distance.

There are big, obvious elements, such as the generous spans of glass, natural timber, terraces and decks but there are clever little details in the sustainable design principles such as windows angled to catch the morning sunshine, afternoon breezes and glimpses of the horizon.

On entering the home through a central courtyard, two large laser cut screens in a soft gold, form a transparent wall between the entrance and the living space, allowing both line of sight and light through.

The heart of the home, is the open plan kitchen, nothing short of WOW

The kitchen has a large island bench in Caesarstone Jet Black and room for plenty of people to congregate around sets the stage. The hero piece on the island is the functional yet beautiful privacy bench made from Brown Agate Concerto by Caesarstone. It's a real show stopper!

The amazing patterns of contours and striped browns and golds from this unique crystal is certainly a conversation starter. It is a striking piece of art and equally alluring with or without the backlight on. The Zip HydroTap in matt gold providing instant boiling, chilled and sparkling filtered water is the perfect accompaniment to the stone.

Fisher & Paykel appliances including a steam oven, warming drawer, pyrolytic oven and a 90cm induction cooktop turn this into a gourmet's kitchen. The island

bench has a single sink and dish drawer whilst the working engine of the kitchen, the butler's pantry, has a second full size dishwasher, double sinks and loads of storage. A large French door fridge and freezer seamlessly integrates behind the cabinetry.

Step down to the main living room with its expansive high ceilings and soaring windows and you know this is an entertainer's home.

The room is large enough to fulfil any of your entertaining dreams. The feature fireplace clad in Abyss, a natural slate split stone from Eco Outdoor, steel grey in colour with subtle, lighter grey hues, works in seamlessly with the large format 1200 X 600 Ekos silver travertine tiles but at the same time add an element of interest.

The living area, being so open with high windows, was the perfect opportunity to really push the boundaries of style and combine an array of finishes and textures. The champagne coloured sheer window treatments create a soft and flowing palette which sit so well with the peacock blues and brass tones.

The feature armchairs in the living area draw inspiration from the laser cut panel in the entry to the home, by using a similar pattern in the fabric.

Geometric patterns are a typical feature of Palm Springs style, but not wanting to be cliché in this application, choosing the subtlety of fabric and design elements of the property are points of connection.

Large oversized artworks in the living area highlight the high ceilings and lift the eye upwards. Not only do they add wow factor but the colours of the palm leaf and tropical style provides the perfect backdrop for the rest of the furnishings.



The large alfresco area takes in the breathtaking views to the north. Recycled hardwood posts along with Endicott crazy paving to the terraces and alfresco maintains the sense of design continuity throughout the home and is a definite kick back to the 1950s.

With views to the golf course, the contrast of the Monochromatic scheme is definitely a point of interest to the Master Suite which continues the luxe palm look featuring wallpaper by Versace in a gorgeous green array of tropical palm leaves.

This is teamed with a white four poster bed and a mix of generous sized black and white cushions. The look is softened by a gorgeous white textured sheer window treatment and gold round mirror over the head of the bed.

The ensuite with heated floors, freestanding Kado Arc bath, dual shower, ample storage in the anodic bronze coloured vanity, topped with beautiful Caesarstone Statuario Maximus, all combine to equal luxury plus. >



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The attention to detail and quality in all the finishes throughout the home shine through in every room.

The walk in wardrobe is complete with custom joinery from Active Kitchens.

Complete with gold glass mosaic penny rounds, my favourite room in the house is the James Bond style powder room.....look out Goldfinger! >

A large guest bedroom complete with walk-in wardrobe and spa like ensuite will make any guest feel special.

The home office (or 4th bedroom) has its own appeal looking out to the internal courtyard. This room is a little more playful with a statement Dalmatian dot wallpaper.

The design of the home allows you to catch a glimpse of this wallpaper through the glass walled living area and main entrance, so seeing a fraction of the dots creates excitement while walking through the home.

Another large bedroom completes the picture and the main bathroom also with freestanding bath, twin shower and heated floors is a thoughtful space. >







The timber vanity has been wrapped on all 4 sides with Caesarstone Statuario Maximus and the mirror has been framed by the same timber – another example of the detail found in the home.

No attention to detail has been spared in this stunning home. What might not be apparent about this home is that it has an amazingly calm and relaxed feel. It's an absolute treat to return to and have a wander through. I am sure the Rat Pack of old would feel right at home here, particularly on the gorgeous velvet curved sofa!

The interior styling was a collaboration between Yarrum Designer Homes, well known Newcastle interior designer Wendy Green of Wow Factor and Amy Frost, stylist of Valiant Property Styling.

"Creating the Palm Springs look of this house was made easy with the high end finishes and stunning detail in every room," said Amy Frost.

The "Palm Springs" trend is so sophisticated combining the classic elements from Palm Springs style such as brass, velvets and marbles along with splashes of modern undertones to create a stunning and unique interior. 🏠

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