

Hovea Drive Residence

16 Hovea Drive, Koala Beach

This private residence is located on the Tweed Coast of northern New South Wales for a young family who enjoy engaging with the natural world.

The residence has been designed and coloured to promote this connection – to encourage the occupants to transition between natural and built space.

Colours reflect those found in the local natural environment — sea greens; whitewater; beach grasses; blue skies; field flora; golden sunsets. The house comprises two pavilions connected by a central deck. External walls presenting to neighbours are clad with metal sheet, coloured in subdued landscaped grey-greens. The colour wall is located on the 'inside', between the pavilions, representing the living heart of the house.

The colours also suggest the personalities of the family – sometimes as individuals – sometimes an overview of the moods of time.

The colours have been applied in staggered panels, set to a rhythm as if to appear random on the wall. This was done:

- To assist in reducing the scale of the wall
- To reflect the varied form and scale of elements in the natural environment.
- To suggest movement in the static composition.

As the coloured wall faces east-northeast, part of its appeal is the change of lighting intensity that it receives at various times across the day.

Bright morning light reinforces the depth of the colours and also creates a dappled effect from the shadows of the significant trees adjacent to the site. It signifies that the day has commenced.

Afternoons see the wall in shadow and the colours are draped in a more even softer light. The day is winding down. The colours of the wall are often reflected by those in the sky as the sun sets in the background.

Architectural Specifier: Chris Lillis, Crisilis Architecture www.crisilis.com.au Building Contractor: Debra Lillis Colour Selection: Chris Lillis

Colours Used: Resene Bluegrass, Resene Compass, Resene Escapade, Resene Flashback, Resene Lime White Products Used: Resene Lumbersider

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