

Inspired villas defy cramped feel

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Having built four developments comprising 12 villas in the same street and more than 100 units in the Westminster suburb, Inspired Homes had experience under its belt when it came to this site.

The client's brief was to achieve three individually designed contemporary villas incorporating three bedrooms, two bathrooms with separate toilets and a bath, plus a double garage each.

With a small footprint, villas can often feel cramped. But through the use of high ceilings, a carefully chosen colour palette and design to let natural light in, a feeling of spaciousness can be achieved.

This was best achieved by the builder in the open-plan living, dining and kitchen space upon entering the villa.

Inspired Homes managing director Vas Spaseski said a 33-course coffered ceiling over the living area added volume to the space and 30-course ceilings throughout the remainder of the

home continued the spaciousness.

Generous natural light in the living area has been achieved through sliding doors to the alfresco area and a window splashback in the kitchen.

Quality fixtures have been used throughout the villa, including feature skirting and cornices and a glazed porcelain floor in the communal spaces.

Soft neutral colours, chosen by the owners' daughter who works for a building firm, soften and complement the tiles.

The kitchen features a mosaic

splashback in varying shades of grey that extends up behind the range hood.

Polished-pearl lacquered cabinetry and stone benchtops accompany the ample overhead cupboards, soft-close doors and drawers, and stainless-steel appliances.

The bedrooms have grey carpet underfoot and mirrored built-in-robos.

Feature mosaic tiles have again been used in the bathrooms to separate the white tiles and complement the grey vanity tops.

Outside, Inspired Homes have used red bricks from Austral's Peninsula range, roof tiles from Harmony's Habitat collection and finished off with aggregate type pavers from Brikmakers' granite collection.

A sand-coloured portico matches the automatic double garage door.

■ The home was an entry in the 2013 HIA Perth Housing Awards in the Townhouse/Villa up to \$200,000 category. For inquiries phone Inspired Homes on 9303 9985.



Red bricks from Austral's Peninsula range clad the exterior.

