

Green design will leave you in pink

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As a mandated five-star energy rated home in this environmentally-conscious Swanbourne development, it is of no surprise that Dean Humphrey, of Humphrey Builders and Designers has included a 2500-litre rainwater tank to further enhance its sustainability credentials.

Of course it's not only about energy ratings, according to Tanya Hunter, an owner with husband Ken.

"We're glad we worked with Dean. We hadn't built before and he made the process easier for someone who knew nothing about building," she said.

"We now know a lot that we didn't then. He was great. He insisted that the final product was of high quality."

A 2.4m drop from front to back in the block makes for a spectacular build with a dramatic outlook. Even on entering, the



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light fittings to fill the two-storey void. Meanwhile, the formal dining room is just as elegantly served by a jarrah table with a lighter marri inlay.

The practicality of the design is

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Perched on the balcony, the swimming pool below is an additional attraction with a mural to one end of a white floral motif ascending skyward. This is from Q Design and is an indicator of the creativity that has gone into the thinking in this home. Clare Forsyth, of Clare Forsyth Interiors, was instrumental in advising the various selections.

In the casual dining area a David Trubridge artwork of three large balls made of an interlaced wood-like veneer makes a series of

not to be understated. Off the kitchen is a scullery — a second kitchen of sorts with sink and refrigerator and plenty of space to keep the plates plus utensils out of the living area. Similarly, the children's playroom allows easy supervision and interaction.

The bedrooms at the upper level include the main suite which has its own balcony, sheltered by aluminium shutters which are manoeuvrable and adjustable. A spacious bathroom features a beautiful stand-alone bath and



Look cool by the pool in this innovative and eco-friendly home.

unique star lights around the shower recess.

There is much more in this multi-featured home, including the downstairs entertainment area

adjacent to the pool, the home theatre and the use of synthetic grass in the alfresco areas.

In fact, it is packed with innovation and refinement.

