



# Three's company **+** BY CHLOE VELLINGA

**In the riverside suburb of Applecross, you will find three luxury homes standing side by side, each housing owners who are incredibly proud to show off their Brian Burke Homes unique creations.**

It is the first time in Brian Burke Homes' 34-year history of building luxury homes that it has secured contracts to build three homes in a row.

Owner and third-generation builder Michael Burke said his team was extremely privileged to experience such a rare opportunity.

"We have done a couple of builds of two in a row, as this is not uncommon, but we have never had the opportunity of three in a row," he said.

"All three homes have got beautiful views to the river without impeding on each other, so it was nice to be able to work the three in with each other to maximise the benefits for each homeowner, without compromising each other's privacy or views."

Although, as far as similarities go, they finish at the name of the builder. Each home is entirely different – from the style of the home, the size and layout, right down to the choice of finishing. Each home is finished to impeccable standard and is suited just right to the individual homeowner.

"At Brian Burke Homes, we talk to each client and whatever their dreams and wishes or lifestyles and tastes are, we accommodate them rather than try and enforce our brand of style," Mr Burke said.

"If you have a look at all the different homes we build, there is no common thread and that's because all our clients are so different. We really try and get the best out of every home design for them as individuals and their stage in life and also their block of land."

In this case, Mr Burke explains the three homes are owned by a young family, a family with adult children and a couple with grandchildren.

Featured below left is the newest of the three Brian Burke Homes, which explores a mix of contemporary and industrial style to house a family of five.

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The couple's three children will have free reign of the bottom floor, which includes three large bedrooms and one bathroom, a guest room complete with its own ensuite, a dedicated office with a file and server room, a sitting area and an air-conditioned wine cellar.

While upstairs the parents experience the full sense of freedom with the whole top floor, just like a penthouse suite, all to themselves. The upside-down residence with the kitchen and laundry on the second floor allows for the downstairs to

be locked up when their children are not at home.

The state-of-the-art kitchen brings together the old and the new with 40mm fascia bench tops, pressed tin ceiling, induction cooktop and walk-in pantry.

The family can enjoy their meals inside with river views or choose to relax in the alfresco area, which features a commercial kitchen and fold-out glass windows for a fabulous entertaining space.

With ducted air-conditioning and hydronic heating fitted beneath the polished concrete floors, the owners are set for all-year round comfort.

Brian Burke Homes was also able to accommodate the clients' health and safety concerns by installing a lift to get from the bottom floor to the top with ease, a hydrotherapy pool for recovery, in-built tiled seats in the shower and wall hung toilets raised to suit the client.

Mr Burke said for two out of the three clients it was their first time building with Brian Burke Homes, while the third client, it was their second time building with the company.

"The clients are extremely happy and I think all three of them will become good friends over time and enjoy each other's company," he said.

"It truly was a rare opportunity and we were very lucky to be able to do it."

This home at 15A Killilan Road, Applecross will be available for public viewing with home opens today and tomorrow from 2-5pm and Saturday April 30 and Sunday May 1 from 2-5pm.



Killilan Road in Applecross, Brian Burke Homes.  
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