

# Time to close the Barn door for good

**Residential Attitudes' Barnhaus display, an award-winning design which does away with convention to deliver spectacular results, closes its doors permanently this month.**

The Karrinyup build, which won Residential Attitudes the Residential Building Designer of the Year award at the 2018 HIA COLORBOND steel Matt Perth Housing Awards, has turned plenty of heads since opening last year.

The home channels the functionality of a traditional barn structure while adding a touch of the modern and is designed to serve a purpose and forge connections.

A three-bedroom, two-bathroom display, it is open and spacious and focuses on style and substance over size.

With a mix of steel, glass, concrete and natural timber throughout, the design utilises modernist architecture, according

to Residential Attitudes Principal Designer Brook Leber.

"The home is fun and lively, with a funky approach to the original retro era," he said. "We've played with shapes, textures, colours and patterns to create a fun and vibrant interior, capturing the Residential Attitudes brand.

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"The interior is complex and layered, with geometric and abstract shapes and pops of colour offset by natural timber."

Across two levels, the home is set up to provide an excellent transition between the interior and exterior spaces.

The open-plan kitchen, living and dining areas on the ground floor form a

sumptuous space that stretches from the front verandah to the alfresco at the back, while on the upper floor a boudoir takes pride of place and enjoys picturesque views over a stunning pool and backyard.

Just off a quaint living space titled 'the rumpus room' is an aviary, one of the more distinctive features of an already unique home. Showcasing innovative design at its best, this feature is an unconventional take on an outdoor balcony, with mesh flooring that floats over the courtyard below and looks to the parkland beyond.

Residential Attitudes has carefully thought through the philosophy behind this design and has left the "usual display inhibitions behind", according to Mr Leber.



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"Families are meant to connect, eat, live, laugh and love – a home isn't just meant to be a shelter.

"The Barnhaus was named not only for its industrial barn aesthetic, but to remind us building a home is meant to be fun and focused on how you live, not how building companies think you live."

Creative, fresh and unconventional, the Barnhaus is the perfect offering for those who like to go against the grain.

Don't miss your last chance to check out the Barnhaus. The display is open on Saturdays and Sundays from 2-4pm. It closes for good next Sunday, January 20.

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