



Custom build the perfect fit

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Following an extensive search for an established home, Mark and Alissa Crossman realised they were only going to achieve their dream abode if they built.

The couple selected Residential Attitudes for the job after falling in love with a home inspired by its Glasshaus design.

With their gorgeous three-bedroom, two-bathroom home now complete, the couple sat down with New Homes to share their experience.

Why did you build in Coolbinia?

The blocks in Coolbinia are huge, which we wanted for entertaining and accommodating our energetic boys. The suburb is great for raising kids, with an abundance of 'secret' parks and good local schools.

What did you seek to achieve in the floor plan?

We entertain a lot so we needed a big, practical kitchen and large entertaining spaces. We also wanted a flexible floor plan that would grow and change with the family and allow everyone to have their own space.

What advice would you give others at the beginning of the building process?

Do your homework, have a clear vision of what you want in a home from the outset and view as many

home opens as possible. Open House Perth is a great initiative and we took a lot of inspiration from some of the houses we walked through.

What would you say to others who aren't sure about building?

The thing that initially put us off building was the lead time. We are not very patient people by nature. In hindsight, the whole process didn't feel like it took that long, and it was actually really enjoyable being involved in the planning and then seeing your project come to life. We appreciate our home so much more having had so much involvement in creating it.

What room do you love most?

Alissa: I love the generosity of space in the master ensuite. It feels really luxurious and the big walk-in shower is a real treat.

Mark: My study. I have tried to spend some more time working from home, and in our previous houses I have never had a purpose-built study. This room has views of the backyard and a balcony that looks at the park across the street, giving me a relaxing space to work.

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