



Innovative Architecture

Parkwood's new factory-built homes incorporate the best in up-to-the-minute design and materials



PARKWOOD HAS released a new range of factory-built homes to coincide with the expansion of its display centre at Somersby on the NSW Central Coast.

Showing the emerging facets of the market, the company has produced designs ranging from the small 80m² two-bedroom home (ideal as a granny flat), to the 170m² four-bedroom, country-style home.

Market-driven, the new designs highlight the trend away from traditional, budget-sensitive production to innovative architectural designs that push the envelope. Turning heads, the new three-bedroom, two-storey home is already a favourite.

"Our clients are demanding smart Australian architecture with construction methods that take advantage of the new innovative materials now being introduced into the Australian housing market," said John McDougall of Parkwood Homes.

Light but structural steel sub-frames are the foundation of all the homes, enabling Parkwood to completely build the dwellings within its Somersby factory. Wet weather is no longer a factor as all homes are constructed undercover. Smart material handling, dry storage of materials and a consistent and experienced workforce are other good foundations for any project.

With the ever-increasing cost of onsite construction, the responsibilities of OH&S compliance and cost demands to design environmentally-efficient housing, these construction methods developed by Parkwood are making great sense.

Parkwood's homes are not kits as the whole home is built within the factory. Kitchens, plumbing, tiling and electrical installation are completed and tested. Doors are hung, hardware fitted and vanity units and shower screens installed. Wardrobes and curtains are included in the price. The engineers inspect homes during construction phase and Parkwood builds them

strong — after all, every home is wind-tested as they are transported down the freeway.

Parkwood offers a full design team to personalise each home. The company prepares all plans and a basix report for your council application. Construction time is greatly reduced as all the trades are on hand to work on the homes, within a secure and dry environment.

Once council approval is obtained, site foundations are constructed, and the home is usually delivered and craned onto the foundations in a day - secure, dry and complete. The new model range and price list is now available on DVD or on the website.

Parkwood, with 19 years experience in the industry and more than 2000 homes constructed, is well-positioned to service the needs of the NSW market. +

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