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Elysium is an opportunity to create a family of houses that capture the essence of the north coast lifestyle. The houses are planned with simplicity and an emphasis on generous indoor/outdoor spaces. Each house boldly occupies its site and includes a naturally lit outdoor room contained within the main volume. The outdoor room provides an internal focus visually and functionally. The inside and outside are united by seamless transitions and the consistent use of a restrained palette of materials. Materials are generally natural timbers, rhinezinc, and oxide renders which will improve their appearance with time, allowing the houses to merge with the landscape.

AWARDS
2004 Beatrice Hutton Award for Commercial Architecture
2004 Brisbane Regional Commercial Building of the Year
2004 Interior Architecture Award
2002 Brisbane Regional House of the Year Commendation
2002 Brisbane Regional Commendation Award
Lot 185 is designed around the double height terrace at the heart of the living plan. This covered terrace engages all rooms around it offering a high flexibility of living. The large openings and high level windows have motorized screens to shield from the sun when necessary or when privacy is required. The outdoor fireplace ensures the space can be used year round.

The strong vertical tower form of the house is accentuated by the thin folded planes of walls and roofs which will give it a dramatic presence to the street. The operable timber screens within the “tower” will change expression as the screens are adjusted.

Natural timber doors fold or slide away to open the house to the outdoor terrace and to other outdoor spaces, capturing cooling breezes. The large skylight to the outdoor terrace ensures that all living spaces benefit from filtered natural light whilst maintaining privacy.

The house is designed with natural timbers, zinc, stone and timber flooring and oxide renders to give warmth to the spaces. The swimming pool becomes a calming backdrop to the living areas as it reflects the landscape. All doors and windows are detailed by rosewood timber frames and trims.

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KEY FEATURES
- Flexible living spaces
- Double height terrace with motorized sunshading
- Outdoor fireplace
- Media/Family room
- Reflection pools
- Covered winter terrace
- Study overlooking terrace
- Large kitchen
- Large bathroom and en-suite with double basins

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Lot 161 is designed around a double height outdoor terrace that is placed at the heart of the house. This outdoor terrace links all rooms providing a generous open feel to the interior living spaces. A double height sitting space on the northeast corner has a dramatic fireplace structure as a focus and is screened for privacy.

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SIDE ELEVATION

GROUND LEVEL

KEY FEATURES
- Flexible living spaces
- Double height screened outdoor terrace
- 4.5m high sitting room with fireplace
- Media/Family room
- Reflection pools
- Covered winter terrace adjacent the entry
- Study overlooking terrace
- Large centrally placed kitchen
- Large bathroom and ensuite with double basins

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The ground level is occupied entirely by living spaces, providing an opportunity to make a large and flexible living space. The central courtyard is the heart of the house and contains a rich landscape garden. Above the courtyard a retractable fabric roof provides flexible sun protection and sense of enclosure.

The united series of outdoor and indoor spaces capture sun and shade at different times of the day, creating a discrete set of spaces with varying character. The main living area flows onto the rear terrace that overlooks adjacent conservation parkland, with built in seating and BBQ.

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KEY FEATURES
- Natural palette of materials
- Large store in basement
- Flexible living spaces
- Double height shaded terrace with motorized fabric roof
- Double height glazed dining space
- Wet edge swimming pool
- Large entertaining terrace
- Built-in seating and BBQ
- Study overlooking double height terrace
- Large kitchen opening onto terrace
- Spa with views to parkland
- Main bedroom and living spaces have views into parkland
Lot 170 has expansive views that are accentuated by the fencing plan and the private terrace. The outlook is framed by folded roof planes and the wet edge pool. The eastern side of the house contains the plywood lined living spaces which have a double height glazed wall and a translucent roof to maximize natural light and cooling breezes. The glazed areas are screened for privacy and to provide a variety of enclosures. The house form is conceived as a piece of carved solid timber and finely detailed timbers screens as a taut skin.

Natural timber doors fold or slide away to open the house to outdoor spaces, capturing cooling breezes. The screened translucent roof to the interior ensures that all living spaces benefit from filtered natural light whilst maintaining privacy. The house is designed with natural timbers, rhizomatic, stone and timber flooring and oxide renders to give warmth to the spaces. The reflection pools and the wet edge swimming pool are a calming backdrop to the living areas as they reflect the landscape. All doors and windows are detailed by rosewood timber frames and trims.

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KEY FEATURES
- Natural materials
- Flexible living spaces
- Double height screened terrace
- Double height living and media room
- Wet edge swimming pool
- Large entertaining terrace
- Study overlooking living space
- Large kitchen opening onto terrace
- Spa with views to conservation parkland
- Main bedroom and living spaces has views into parkland