

## MODERN HOMES

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### Prestige pairing on the water



To the untrained eye, the two buildings that make up this new project at Brighton bear few similarities. Yet they have more in common than meets the eye.

One building is clad in a dark zinc with a series of fin shapes designed to add texture and provide shade. The other building is an off-white rendered masonry shell with circles randomly punctuating the facade.

But the architectural brains behind 26 & 28 Esplanade Brighton Beach says both are influenced by the beauty of the coastal elements.

"The two buildings share an architectural language but each have their own unique voice," says Randal Marsh of Wood Marsh Architecture.

"There is a conversation between the two that highlights their differences; for instance one building is ordered while the other is random. "We are conscious of wind and water which erodes stone and shells into smooth, round objects. The buildings reference these coastal artifacts."

#### At a glance

##### 26 & 28 Esplanade Brighton Beach

**26 and 28 Esplanade,**  
Brighton

**Architect:** Wood Marsh  
Architecture

**Developer:** SC Land  
Interior design: Wood  
Marsh Architecture with  
Kendra Pinkus Interiors

##### Number of apartments:

Four three-beds at 26  
Esplanade, seven three-  
beds at 28 Esplanade

**Sizes (sq m):** Internal, 233-  
460; balcony 10, garden  
245, super penthouse roof  
terrace 172

**Prices:** Three-bed \$3.55  
million-\$4.5 million, super  
penthouse \$10.5 million  
**Parking:** Two-four spaces  
**Completion:** 2020

**Agent:** Hocking Stuart,  
David Wood 0418 315 114;  
Kay and Burton, Brett  
Graham 0417 766 777  
**Inspection:** Display suite  
at SC Land, level 1, 40  
Toorak Road, South Yarra,  
by appointment



MICHAEL RAYNER

Pash Flowers and Homewares Brighton store manager Laura  
McKissack says Brighton's demographic is evolving.

The ships cruising along Port  
Phillip Bay also provided inspiration,  
which can be seen in the porthole  
windows and balconies that mimic  
the curved hull of a large ship.

The boutique project is targeting  
downsizers, with generous floor  
plans and water views. Each building  
has a lift from basement parking to  
individual floors and lavish extras  
include hydronic in-slab floor  
heating, marble-clad open gas  
fireplaces, Gaggenau kitchen  
appliances, Hammam showers and  
private lock-up garages.

The location offers plenty with the  
Middle Brighton Baths a six-minute  
cycle along the foreshore bike path  
and two yacht clubs close by.

Florist Laura McKissack, from Pash  
Flowers on nearby Bay Street, says  
she has noticed a lot more young  
professionals moving into the area.

"They don't necessarily want to live  
in the city anymore and now that  
apartments are being built here, just  
a bit further out, it's really changing  
the demographic," McKissack says. 

### Linked to sand and sea



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##### Orabel Water Front

**78-83 Nepean Highway,**  
Seaford

**Architect:** Hachem  
Architects

**Developer:** Resimax  
Group  
**Landscape:** John Patrick  
Landscape Architects

**Number of apartments:**  
140; 33 one-bed, 100 two-  
bed, two three-bed, five  
four-bed

**Sizes (sq m):** One-bed  
50-60, two-bed 64-104;  
external, 8-21

**Prices:** One-bed from  
\$439,000, two-bed from  
\$517,000 (three and four-  
bed apartments sold out)

**Car parking:** One-two car  
spaces per apartment  
**Completion:** Mid-2019

**Contact:** Resimax Group,  
Kay Dee, 1300 783 144  
**Open for inspection:**

On-site suite open  
Tuesday and Thursday,  
11am-3pm; Saturday and

Sunday, 10am-4pm

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