



Livewire



Watson-Smith New House

31 Johnstone Street, Point Chevalier, Auckland

The use of colour in this new Auckland house was integral to the whole exterior design concept. The main exterior cladding is the naturally coloured sepia black of the Mini-Onduline corrugated sheets.

Contrasting vividly with the black cladding, Resene Livewire was chosen to lacquer finish the tall, bold, glossy front door, to welcome and invite entry into the house.

The house is long and skinny in shape and steps down the slope to a row of Pohutukawas and a small stream and reserve at the bottom of the site.

A bright red, Resene Livewire window box, 'pops' out of the blackness and into the Pohutukawa trees at the lower end of the house. This acts as a positive termination to the lower end of the house and looks amazing, particularly in the summer when the Pohutukawas are in flower.



Colour was used in a focused and restrained way, behind glass to create and emphasise a particular character or energy in each space.

The main feature colour throughout the house, both internally and externally, is the wonderful red Resene Livewire. (We now have every single red, and variation of red in our office library!). Inside the house, Resene Livewire is featured in the kitchen which is literally at the 'heart' of the house, as a large back-painted glass splashback. It is the hub of the house and the Resene Livewire reinforces a positive, warming and friendly energy.

Natural materials of Meranti timber, bamboo flooring and stone tiles are taken through the house and it is then in the bathrooms where a particular colour has been highlighted:

In the ensuite, a fresh, energising and invigorating green was selected. We chose Resene Chameleon to feature behind the glass splashback where it feels like you are biting into a fresh, crisp Granny Smith apple each morning!

For the main family bathroom, a more fun and punch colour; Resene Extrovert was chosen (and approved by the 10-year-old daughter). Resene Extrovert provides a bright, cheerful character and gets regular positive comments when visited by guests.



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Extrovert

Chameleon

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Colours Used: Resene Chameleon, Resene Extrovert, Resene Livewire

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