



# The Bellevue

TRENTHAM WATERS LIVING SPRINGS INTO LIFE

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Trentham Waters Resort and Living is a sprawling ninety-seven-hectare (240- acre) resort, five-star caravan park and gated community nestling on the New South Wales bank of the mighty Murray River at Trentham Cliffs just a short drive over the George Chaffey bridge from Mildura's CBD.

The resort portion of the project featured in the autumn 2024 issue of Mildura Living. That story turned a spotlight on the complex's breath-takingly expansive lagoon pool, splash park, in-house restaurant, architecturally designed 1-, 2- and 3-bedroom villas, wood-fired hot-tubs, glamping tents and drive-through caravan sites, with or without an ensuite.

The man behind the vision is former V8 Supercar champion and celebrated Sunraysia sporting son Rick Kelly.

Helping him realise his dream are his parents Margaret and John who are at the helm of the respected building company

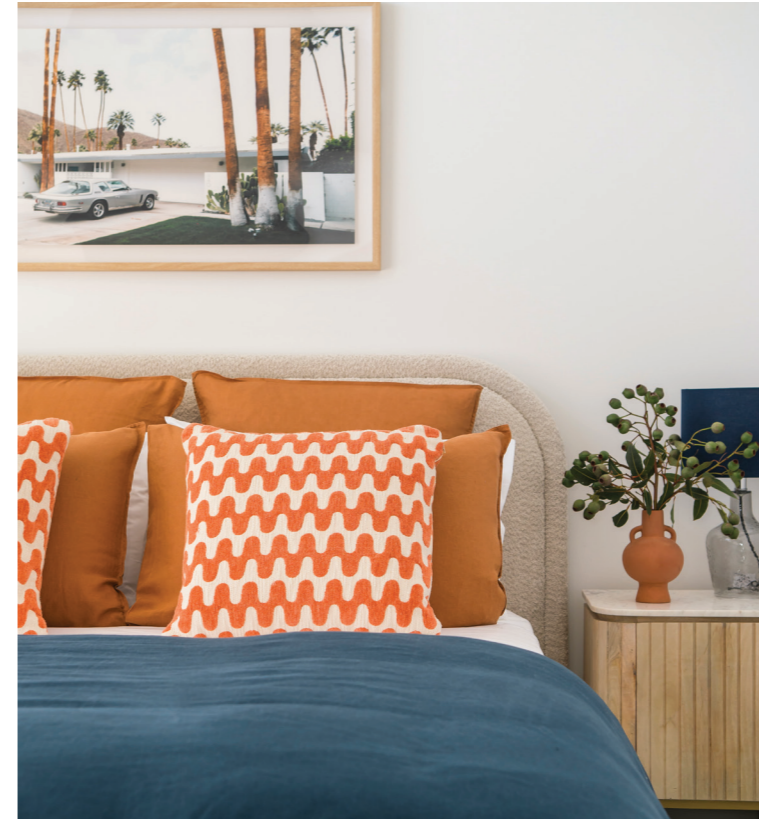
Malidot, along with his brother Todd.

"Working with my family is a privilege, and my dad and I are hands on with the project every waking hour. His ability to sketch the concept for the project and turn it into reality is mind blowing. The Trentham Waters project would not have been workable without him because, to put it simply, he just gets things done," Rick says.

Now, the first display home for the Trentham Waters Living part of the project has been completed, and Mildura Living was invited to take a look.

Before our walk-through Rick explains the construction of Trentham Waters Living will "reimagine the traditional land lease community by introducing world-class homes that showcase exceptional architectural design."

With interiors crafted by renowned Mount Martha-based



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designer KWD (Kate Walker Design), the home features high-end finishes and fixtures, and sets a benchmark for luxury living in our region.

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The trio offers options for two, three-plus-study, and four-bedroom units with floorplan variations to accommodate different budgets and lifestyle preferences.

Regardless of the floorplan, however, the build quality will be

the constant, Rick promises.

"Structurally they feature steel portal frames, internal steel framing, and world-class construction methods, with Malidot Pty Ltd bringing the same expertise and precision that has brought Trentham Waters Resort to life," he said.

All Trentham Waters Living homes will have double-insulated external walls and roofs, insulated internal walls, engineered timber flooring, square-set cornices and windows, Bosch cooking appliances, double glazed windows, ABI tapware, large decks, split system air conditioning and high-end textural finishes throughout.

The design and build aesthetic of mid-20th century Palm

Springs has been adapted for the new millennium by a vision that has already garnered significant interest.

The attention to detail both externally and internally is self-evident. The facades of each home, for example, offer subtle variations to create streetscape interest, with customised on-brand front door colours and stone cladding options.

Careful attention is being paid to the way each home will sit within its environment, making the most of available natural light and the stunning river views.

From the street, first impressions are shaped by each home's architectural details. The roof lines offer a modern interpretation

of a nostalgic design, while the colour palette is fresh and inviting, paying tribute to the surrounding landscape.

Landscaping is in keeping with the Palm Springs aesthetic - think palm trees, cacti and succulents along with minimal lawn, a pebblecrete driveway and a decked front doorstep.

Beyond the 'pelican pink' front door - an obvious nod to the mid-century modern motif - the quintessential Palm Springs theme continues.

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include warm whites - crisp and clean for a classic backdrop; a warm, 'sun-kissed' tone known as Sherbet, and Terracotta - a salute to the Mallee desert.

Splashes of subdued colour are added throughout using retro pastels. The pelican pink front door for example, is a soft, feminine choice iconic to the era. So too are the mist greens, a refreshing mid-century favourite and gorgeous sky-blue tiling that adds a light, airy tone to the beautifully appointed bathrooms.

Some stronger colours are judiciously injected into the mix via the furnishings. There is turquoise, another Palm Springs signature shade, often seen in pools and accents, corals creating a tropical feel, and citrus orange offering a distinctively Sunraysia flavour.

And we can't forget the palm green accents - a deep, rich green inspired by palm fronds and lush landscaping.

This eclectic colour palette is paired with nature-inspired materials like terrazzo, stone cladding and timber.

The home's skillion roof line is mirrored indoors, with a raked

ceiling adding both interest and a feeling of spaciousness.

Timber flooring is a feature of the common areas, with carpet in the bedrooms and coloured textured tiles in the bathrooms.

The kitchen's custom joinery was designed by KWD, while other notable touches include terrazzo tiled floors, reeded glass shower screens, and considered lighting - track in the living/dining area, pendants in the kitchen and walls lights in the hallway and bathrooms.

As you would expect in our climate, careful attention has been paid to keeping the home cool in the warmer months and warm in the winter while at the same time allowing the natural light to flood in. The latter being controlled to some degree by the eaves and verandahs to beat the heat.

"The home's feel is light, open and airy whilst being comfy and cosy. The best of all worlds," Rick said.

Large sliding doors are doubly useful. They allow plenty of light in and easy access to the L-shaped deck area that wraps around



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the best part of one side of the home and across the rear. These deck areas offer shaded seating areas at different times of the day and the opportunity for relaxed al fresco dining.

Exiting the home through the rear door, you step onto the rear deck area under the protective verandah.

Step off the deck and you'll find a spacious garden with fresh lawn, considered planting and fencing for privacy.

A set of lockable gates will keep any water toys secure in the backyard, Rick points out.

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Many of the Trentham Waters Living homes, like 'The Bellevue' display example, are oriented to take in the view of the majestic river redgums lining the mighty Murray River, and all a stone's throw from the back door.

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