



# Super-stylish innovation

**BRILLIANT** colours and innovative design make these one-bedroom homes for people with special needs some of the most interesting in the competition.

Built from cream brick with charcoal roof tiles, the seven two-storey homes have lots of interesting detail.

Weatherboard-look sheeting gives the top floor a tower-like appearance and some walls have render, painted grey, mustard or terracotta.

Red-brick detailing between the weatherboards and in soldier-style on the top of retaining walls is another attractive feature.

The driveway is unusually colourful, with some sections in a checkerboard pattern and others in mottled red and black.

According to builder Tony Trlin, the development posed challenges because the site had a 5.4m slope that needed lots of earthwork.

He praised the design of the units, which features elements such as curved retaining walls at the back of some of the north-facing courtyards.

There are few connecting walls because single carports in four units divide the homes.

The units were built for people with special needs and have good security.

Gabled porticos shelter the front of the units which have living areas and a bathroom on the ground floor with a sliding door to the courtyard. Upstairs is a bedroom and a toilet.

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**CATEGORY:** Up to \$150,000 with up to 5 dwellings

**SUBURB:** Nollamara

**BUILDER:** Tony Trlin and Co Builders

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**DESIGNER:** John Kannis Architect