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CREATING OUR FOREVER HOME

When Cassy and Jarrod were designing their forever home in Bingara Gorge's Greenbridge East precinct, they had three words in mind – family, homely and impacting.

According to Cassy, in every aspect of the design and build these three special words will be at the forefront in every space.

"External products such as Truecore steel frames, Colourbond roof and Weathertex cladding will help deliver a board and batten modern farmhouse aspect. An interior 'wow' factor has been created to push the boundaries of what is possible. Many firsts in an Australian home will be on display," Cassy said.

"We always loved American farmhouse architecture and wanted to create our unique version. When we think farmhouse the words family and home come to mind. An impactful and bold design was a focus to give the home and street visual appeal. Pushing the limits from a style perspective and making it our own, then showcasing to clients was important."

As owners of Edgecliff Homes, Cassy and Jarrod have a thorough understanding of what homeowners are looking for today in their designs to make a home distinctively theirs. "The home will be our sanctuary with a resort feeling the moment we walk through the door, a place to feel at peace. Future planning over the next 20 – 30 years was a vital part as our family expands. It took 12 months just to design the floor plan. During this phase my 90-year-old grandfather moved in to live with us. His needs were factored into the design too," Cassy said.

Bingara Gorge was discovered during Covid, whilst Cassy and Jarrod were renting in the estate. "The community feeling whilst enjoying drinks with the neighbours beside the street, while the kids rode their bikes and played was what we were looking for. To start our family in a friendly community minded neighbourhood. Within four days, we knew this was the place for us and started looking for the perfect block, added Cassy.

"Wollongong's beautiful beaches are a short 30-minute drive, the city is within one hour and our head office is moving to Wilton. All of these factors were signs Bingara Gorge was the place to build our forever home."

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The ultimate man cave comprising a New Orleans whisky bar, bowling alley and Gold Class Cinema; resort style pool with a beach for the kids and spa for the adults; Disney themed bunk room with a special hidden room to bring out imagination for both kids and adults and ceiling heights of six metres in key living rooms are some of the extraordinary highlights.

Hand selected and custom-built furniture pieces will adorn every space to bring warmth and a homely feel.

"A 20-seater custom-made dining table will be used to enjoy family Christmas gatherings and create special memories in the years to come. Unique spaces such as a Disney themed ultimate bunk bedroom with queen sized beds and play spaces will keep children entertained for hours, Cassy said.

"The adult mancave and movie cinema will have pieces styled for date night as well as the best parties to host family and friends. Exquisite furniture and styling will beautifully compliment every space to bring the farmhouse vision to life."

Three black Labrador dogs (Charlie, Shelby and Bailey) have played a huge part in the entire design from the layout and internal colour scheme to furniture selections. "Our dogs are our world. We wanted a house that will work for us and our babies. A luxurious dog bath, built in water station to the kitchen, as well as entire dog room to create a special space for them when they need time from the family to relax will ensure our furry friends are very well catered for in our forever home."

According to Cassy, as building owners it was important to be able to showcase the very best of our work to clients, teach them tips and tricks for their own building journeys, what to ask their builder and look for and dos and don'ts.

"The good times and bad, the entire process and journey will be captured so people can learn from us and have the confidence to build their own dream home with assurance and knowledge."

Construction has started with completion expected for Christmas 2024. The entire building journey will be featured on My Aussie Build next year, a new Channel 9 program. There will be an entire episode dedicated to the build from start to finish.

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