

Colours and Materials Palette



Architectural Character

Enclosed by natural bush, the former quarry site at Kara has 'wild' natural qualities and a rich agricultural history, botanical themes and WA inspired elements that will be features of Kara's design and place character.

The suburb of Treeby is named after a family of settlers who settled in the Jandakot Agricultural Area. In 1901, Western Australia joined the Federation and the demand for fresh vegetables resulted in the former swampland being transformed into a food bowl for the new colony. However, this land surrounding the former quarry has since returned to its natural state and is fringed by conservation areas incorporating a native Spider Orchid known as "Kara" in Noongar. This natural landscape will now form the backdrop to a thoroughly contemporary and intimate urban village.

Kara will incorporate features of modern architecture such geometric forms in box or cube shapes that intersect to create visually exciting and dynamic homes. Large volume square or rectangle shapes with defined edges that utlise flat or skillion roofs will feature. The incorporation of horizontal cladding on horizontal shapes and vertical cladding on vertical shapes can further enhance these geometric surfaces. Colours and materials in neutral earthy tones can be used to highlight projections and indentations in the floor plan as well as disguise utilitarian features such as garages. To offset the bold shapes, the use of materials such as timber and decorative brickwork will balance sharp edges by providing warmth and texture.











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The colour palette is inspired by light natural tones. Dark tones can be can be used to highlight beams, posts, weatherboard, projections and indentations.



Face brick

Single course, textured and colour blended face brick soften sharp edges. Face bricks shall be consistent with below colours and tones.



Feature materials

Timber, stone, earthy coloured metal finishes and concrete provide warmth and texture



Roof colours

Roof colours shall be light tones to reflect heat and therefore keep homes cool.







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