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This classic coastal design ensures the owners can enjoy a holiday-at-home experience

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garden of this stylish new home is the ultimate outdoor retreat. Designed and built by Landscapes WA in conjunction with Celebration Homes, the garden has a modern beach-house style with a classic Hamptons-inspired ambience. This can be seen in the outdoor entertaining areas, the furnishings and the coastal-style planting.

The choice of materials played an integral role in achieving the desired holiday-at-home look and feel, beginning with the Millwood composite

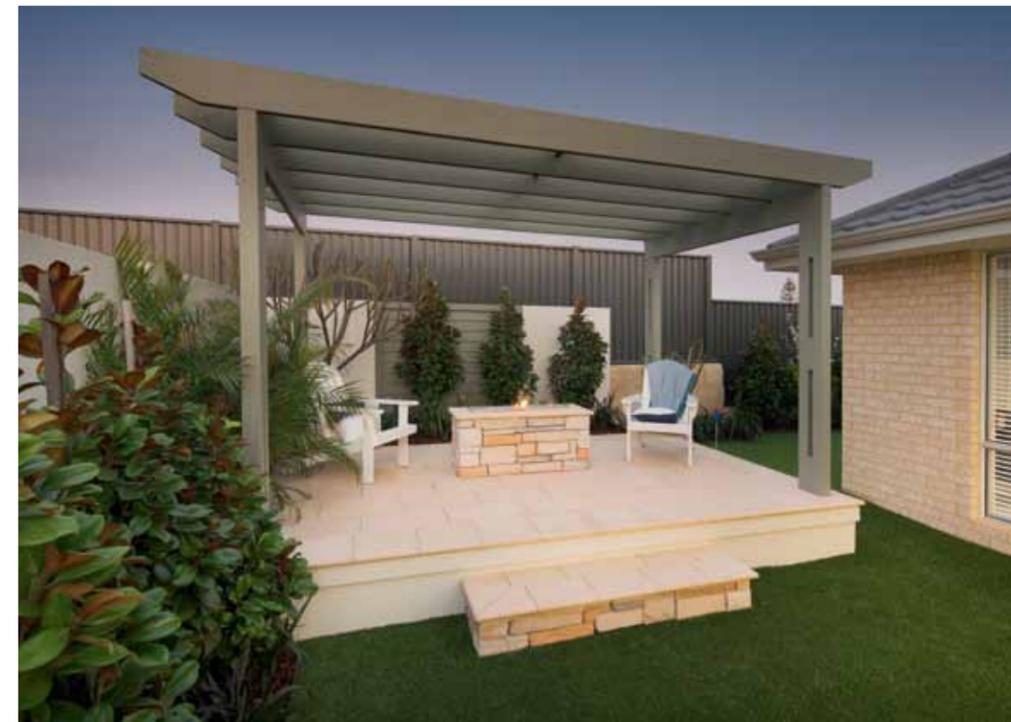


decking used for the outdoor dining area. This anti-slip decking features warm, sun-bleached timber tones that strike just the right note.

The use of stone in the raised seating area adds to the coastal charisma. The stone-clad ethanol-fuelled fireplace and step riser add rich colour and texture, which complement the sandy tones of the paving and contrast with the darker hue of the painted, open-roofed timber pergola.

As privacy was essential, stylish solid fencing was built in the rear garden. This takes the form of clean-lined rendered brick walls with HardiPlank weatherboard feature sections painted the same colour as the pergola and the cladding on the front of the house. Being able to entertain at night was also important, so lighting was installed in the alfresco dining area.

In the front garden, the design goal was the same: to keep it classic, clean and coastal. Referencing the materials used in the entertaining areas at the rear of the home, the entry garden boasts matching stone-clad raised planters and the portico features Millwood decking. Adding to the interplay of textures, the driveway is of exposed aggregate as is the path leading to the portico.





The main challenge faced by Landscapes WA was adapting the garden to the coastal conditions, which meant paying careful attention to the selection of plants. The garden features a variety of water-wise plants (succulents, lomandra, dracaena and frangipani), which are watered via a subsurface irrigation system. To reduce watering needs, the mini putting area created at the side of the house uses artificial turf.

Landscapes WA is a Perth-based landscape company that provides design, construction and maintenance services throughout Western Australia. Since opening for business in 2005, it had become the preferred landscaper for many of the state's premier homebuilders and discerning homeowners.

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