

The client's brief was for an affordable comfortable family home with 'wow factor' on this modest sized section to maximise their investment. Built at Panorama Heights, one of Nelsons hill top subdivisions, the gently sloping site commands 180 degree views over Nelson city and Tasman Bay.

My solution was to create an averaged sized 'comfortably adequate' home that maximised Nelson's sunshine while being oriented for uninterrupted views and responded to the natural slope in a sympathetic shape and form without altering the site contour.

I have produced a building that floats above the natural contour with wide cantilevered floors while responding with roofs that are pitched to both match and oppose the slope allowing the gull wing roof design to be reflected also at ground level, completing the effect.

Dark painted James Hardie Linea direct fixed weatherboards are used without contrast except for carefully arranged fenestration. Including decks and garage, this house is a four bedroom 236 sq.m. dwelling costing just \$350,000 to build.





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