



Design in colour

Keeping it natural with shades of grey on a coastal site in Waikanae.

Waikanae, half an hour north of Te Whanganui-a-Tara Wellington, is a special spot: small weathered baches, wide open beaches. The trick here is making new houses still feel casual and simple, despite the proximity to the city.

Tim Lovell and Ana O’Connell have designed a house that somehow captures the low-key vibe of the place. Inside, Resene Rice Cake is an excellent foil to soaring ceilings, tiles and custom cabinetry, while outside, Resene Double Concrete, Resene Stack and Resene Gauntlet are a recessive – but not oppressive – response to the natural environment. A masterclass in warm, yet humble, colour selection.