

Greville Pabst and The Block 2019 What Do They Really Think?

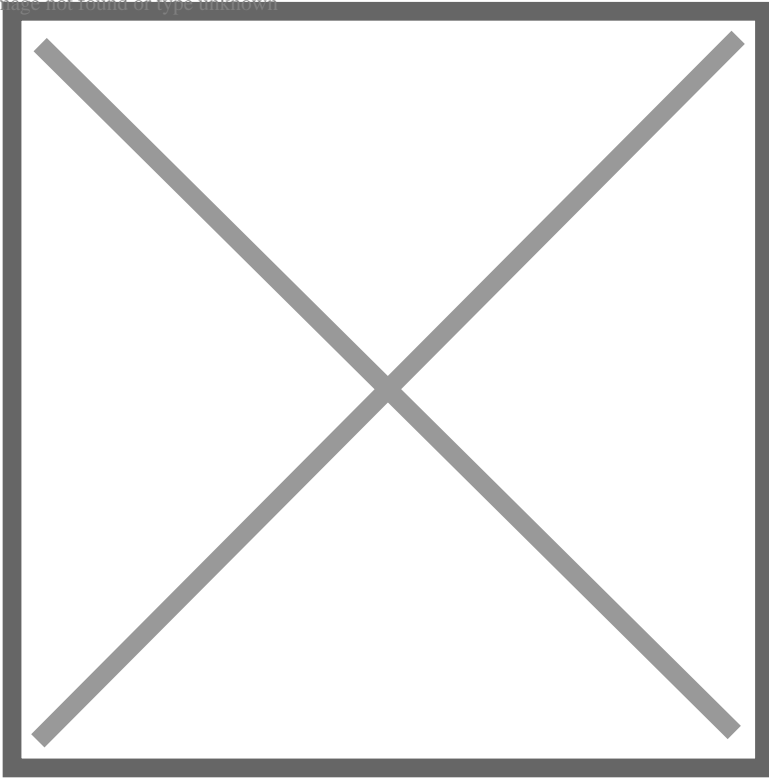
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Let's look at what The Block expert and his fellow advocates have to say.

The Block 2019: Mitch & Mark - House 38A

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Mitch and Mark's house has been one of the Buyers favourites. When you walk in you are immediately impacted by their bold style. The location within the block is also hard to beat, being a bookend on the city/ northern side of the development. I like what they have done with the additional upstairs living room and their courtyard is amazing. For some, the kitchen is not consistent with the rest of their impressive styling. This one could attract the Sydney or overseas Asian Buyer. This house will be hard to beat.

Guest bedroom & ensuite

Imagine yourself indulging in this ultra-spacious bedroom with lofty 3.5-metre ceilings, with abundant natural light beaming through French doors which open to a private veranda.

Enter your generous walk-in robe leading to the stunning en-suite bathroom which completes the story of this outstanding design bedroom retreat.

Formal lounge

Call it Hollywood glamour, Beverly Hills-inspired or even Palm Springs with a city twist, this is a

rediscovered St Kilda vibe wrapped up in luxury. Open the front door to luxe glamour, generous spaces and eye-catching colour setting the scene for luxury living and a new era celebrating St Kilda.

Huge windows, 3.5-metre-high ceilings, fabulous lengths of marble shelving and storage and a dreamy gas log fire are shown to their best advantage by dramatic lighting and bold French navy carpet. Long lengths of American Oak floorboards are set in a classic herringbone pattern. There's even keyless entry, wine storage just around the corner, and an enticing outlook over the verandah.

The upstairs living area or fourth bedroom

Currently configured as the ultimate entertainer space for extended family or friends with a Beverly Hills pool house vibe, the has unlimited potential to be furnished to suit a multitude of purposes.

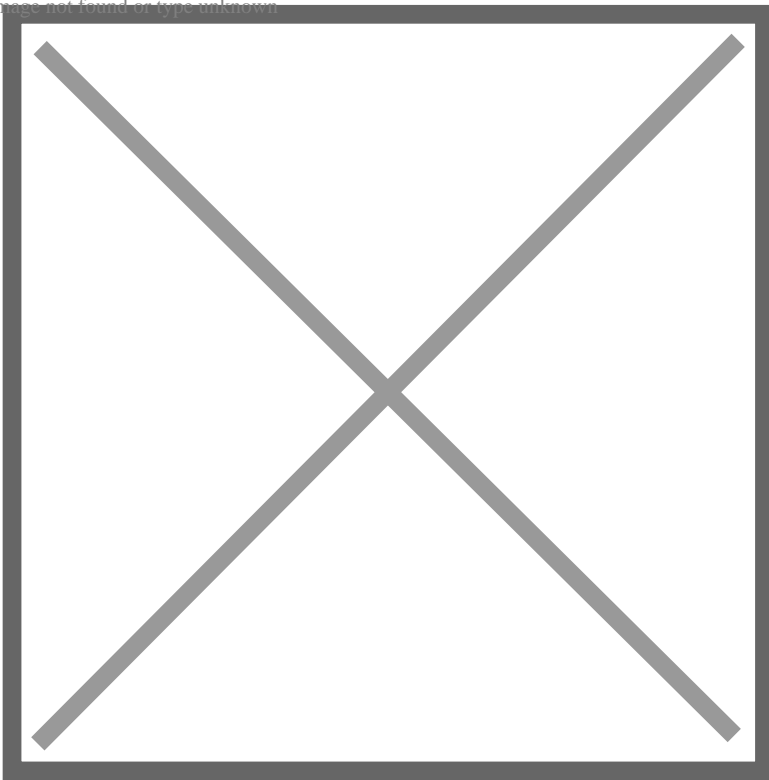
This could be the greatest ever retreat for a teen or an older family member. It has its own kitchen and bathroom, plus outdoor living and dining at both the front (bay view) and the back (city skyline) and a fireplace, a TV, a desk and a lift. So an extra living area, extra sleeping space as a fourth bedroom, or just imagine, a studio for the artist in you or a music room, a hobbies room, an office even - with that lift. How easy is that?

Laundry

Bosch washer and dryer appliances make laundry easy, as does the location of the laundry on the same floor as the bedrooms. There are ample cupboards, with practical extras such as Caesarstone benchtops, and a hanging rail above the sink for drip-drying items and plentiful storage for items including linen, towels, the ironing board and tools.

The Block 2019: Luke & Tess - House 38B

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Many of my buyers were drawn to their kitchen. Their large island bench and dark tones in the kitchen appeal to many. They also provided a staircase to a separate self-contained space that could be used as a guest space. Some buyers will like this other

Guest bedroom & ensuite

Tess and Luke bring smart design and fine workmanship to every room in House Two, and their guest bedroom and ensuite stand out on both fronts. Any guest would love the space and luxe features in the couple's first room reveal. Walk into the bedroom and you see a generous room transformed with a wall of wardrobes either side of the original fireplace, a bed styled to impress with a mix of textures, a calming colour palette, and walnut bedside tables. A second glance shows the thoughtful touches that make

room so welcoming and well-planned. There's a velvet armchair to sink into, a study nook where you can catch up on work, and wardrobes featuring clever storage nooks that solve the problem of where to put bed cushions when it's time to sleep. This may

guest room but it has the quality edge that comes from beautiful carpet, contemporary artwork, an oversized round mirror over fireplace mantel, pull-down wardrobe storage rails, deep drawers, and French doors opening onto the veranda. Buyers looking for a four-bedroom home will love the spaciousness and serenity of this room. It's the ultimate au pair suite or teenage retreat for the family buyer. Who wouldn't want to stay in this beautiful space? And as judge Neale Whitaker commented, "This couple's got style."

The biggest ensuite at The Oslo is a masterpiece for Tess and Luke, who decided to make a statement with this huge light-filled room. It's got the luxe look discerning buyers are searching for, on-trend finishes and timeless features. There's a freestanding tub with a view, a large walk-in shower with twin showerheads, the prestige of a marble-topped, wall-hung vanity, timber panelling and two above-counter bicolour sinks that tie into the black tapware and accessories. Encaustic floor tiles add a designer edge and work superbly in such a generous space. The couple put a great deal of thought into balancing style and functionality in this high-ceilinged space. There's a heated towel rail where it should be (midway between the shower and bath for easy access), carefully positioned lighting (including above the mirror for applying make-up or shaving), and inspired styling (a wooden stool next to the bath and a timber caddy over the bath to hold a candle, a wine or a cup of tea to enjoy while you relax). Judge Darren Palmer was impressed. "I love it," he said.

Formal Lounge

The formal lounge is where the couple blend St Kilda heritage character with urban chic styling. High ceilings add to the sense of space, a gas fireplace brings warmth and a functional focal point, and there's the timeless beauty of chevron oak floors. Standout design elements include the uplit coffered ceiling, the rich charcoal colour of the fireplace feature wall, and a contemporary chandelier. Furniture choices are inspired, with a velvet sofa and tub chairs, marble and glass coffee table, a bar cart, and console table in the adjoining hallway. The artworks in this room show the Queensland couple's flair for choosing statement pieces that work harmoniously with each other. Whoever buys this impressive home will appreciate the inclusion of in-ceiling speakers, integrated shelving and storage, and sheer curtains. There's also something that none of the other homes have. The view from the room is out to a leafy avenue lined with heritage architecture, adding to the sense of space and elegance.

Master Bedroom

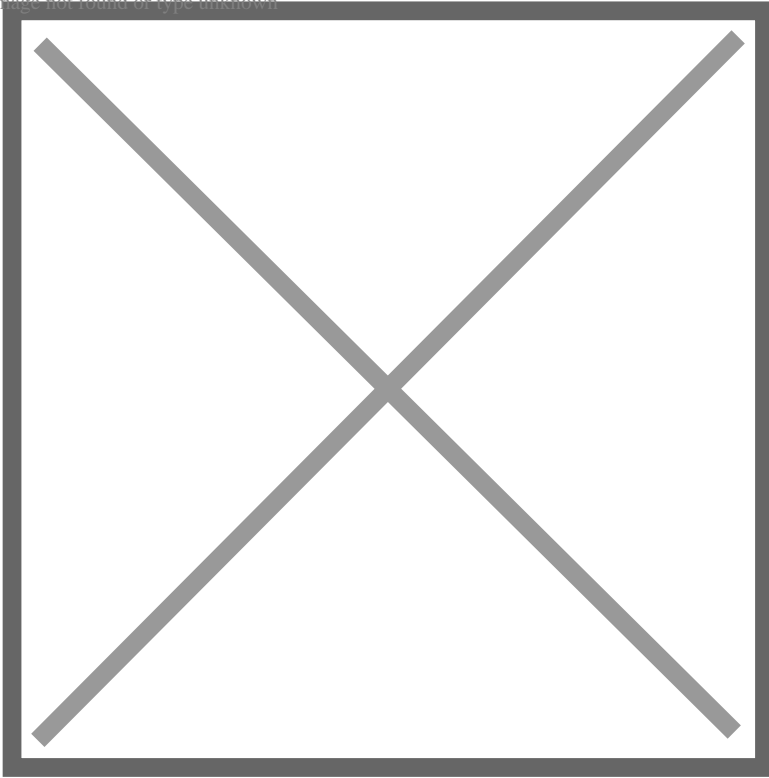
One of The Block's most experienced builders, Matt from Elevate Building Group, came on board to help Tess and Luke create the excellence they want in every room. Exceptional in so many ways, Tess and Luke's master bedroom is a magnificent masterpiece. It includes two walk-in wardrobes, a design coup that's sure to impress buyers who know you can never have enough storage. The bedroom shows the couple's signature styling, balancing practicality with beautiful finishes and features. Judge Darren Palmer loved the Velux skylight above the bed, where you can gaze out to the sky and stars. On-trend colours feature in bedding, cushions, a velvet sofa and textured carpet. This is where you can lie in bed and watch TV, look out to the veranda adjoining this room, admire the artworks. Pendant bedside lights, black side tables and an inset timber feature wall add a luxe look, and a mirror above the bed enhances the sense of light and space. Take a tour of the walk-in wardrobes to see a Hafele safe, a pivot mirror that folds away when not in use, integrated drawers, glass-topped watch and jewellery storage, and open and enclosed storage spaces. The judges were impressed, who know that this level of high-end design is what wows Block buyers.

Main Bathroom

The winning bathroom! The best bathrooms balance functionality and a sense of style, and this is exactly what Tess and Luke showcase in this stellar room. It reveals precision construction and a luxury fitout, with a bath enclosed in the shower area, a marble-topped vanity with black cabinetry, and oval mirrored shaving cabinets. The choice of tiles and tapware ups the elegance, with large-format floor tiles with underfloor heating, vertical wall tiles, and brushed metal taps. Two showers, nib storage, excellent lighting design and a sense of opulence makes this bathroom one of the best you could wish for. It reflects the Queensland couple's newfound confidence, and proves they have been listening to the judges on what it takes to deliver outstanding rooms.

The Block 2019: Andy & Deb - House 38C

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This house is the dark horse to win the Block this year. Their Kitchen is functional bright and spacious. The void has created so much light in an area where most people spend the majority of their time. The buyers I have shown gave this home a big tick

Commanding a blue ribbon beachside address in the historic heart of St Kilda, this magnificent landmark home has been transformed from its Gold Rush heritage into a luxury triple storey abode tailored for contemporary living on a grand scale.

Occupying 545sqm (approx.) of internal and external living spaces, 38C Grey Street melds sympathetic period elegance and state-of-the-art contemporary style from top to toe.

Lounge

Step inside to a sumptuous formal lounge, boasting a Heat & Glo gas fireplace framed by exposed brickwork and integrated shelving. Dressed in unpolished hardwood floors and set beneath soaring ceilings with custom light fittings, the room establishes a timeless neutral aesthetic that flows throughout. It also embraces the home's former glory with high skirtings and picture rails.

Bedroom & Bath

The plush guest bedroom features built-in robes, a classic four-poster bed and minimalist artwork. It also incorporates the window week one ensuite with floor-to-ceiling glazed white tiles, a walk-in rainshower and floating vanity.

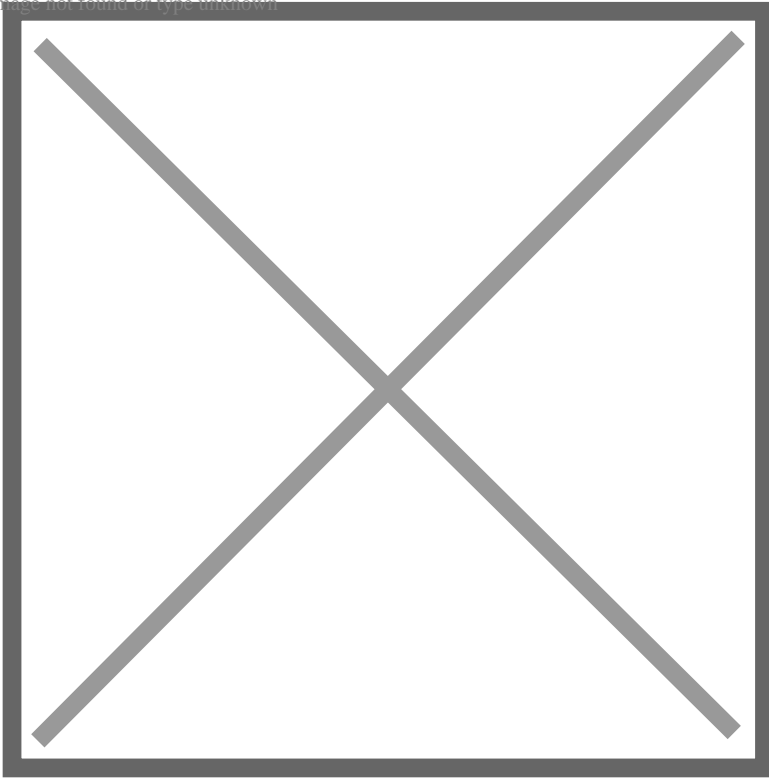
Further on is a stunning main bathroom that delivers the luxe of a peninsula day spa. It offers a freestanding bath, walk-in rainshower and solid timber vanity, and provides a separate w/c.

Retreat

The level three master retreat has been crafted with relaxed sophistication in mind. It showcases an exquisite king sized bedroom tastefully decorated with soft tones to complement the quilted bedhead. In addition, a glorious mural adorns the spacious walk-in robe and dressing area.

The Block 2019: Elise & Matt - House 38D

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Kitchens sell houses and unfortunately, this one lacked some personality and function. There is a lack of bench and storage space. Overall my buyers so far have this house behind in the race. Having said that it would not be the first time the least popular house has won the Block. Everyone thought the Penthouses at The Gatwick would win last year and they didn't.

Exhibiting a colour palette as rich as the diversity of the neighbourhood, and exuding genuine class and warmth, there is something truly tactile about the home created by Elise and Matt. Native timbers, inspired tile choices and decadent furnishings sit alongside the sleek sophistication of stone and glass.

Guest bedroom & ensuite

Radiating luxury with its intricate plasterwork and a contemporary chandelier, the guest bedroom is a harmonious blend of vibrant gold hues and calming muted tones. This idyllic sanctuary enjoys terrace access, whilst also boasting practical fitted robes alongside with an elegant and thoughtfully-designed ensuite.

Formal Lounge

Continuing the jewel-toned theme, the winning formal lounge is a triumph that showcases subtle period detailing enhanced by exquisite Venetian plasterwork and a cosy fireplace. A room that will instantly capture the heart, this intimate space sets the scene for the magnificent craftsmanship and true sense of 'home' that is evident throughout.

Master Bedroom

A crowning glory, the top floor master domain flaunts breathtaking artwork which complements the intricate detailing of the decorative ceiling. With an inviting fireplace, mini bar and coffee station creating a true parents' retreat, this space spills to a balcony facing balcony; the glamour extends to the walk-in wardrobe which is highlighted by champagne-hued metallic joinery.

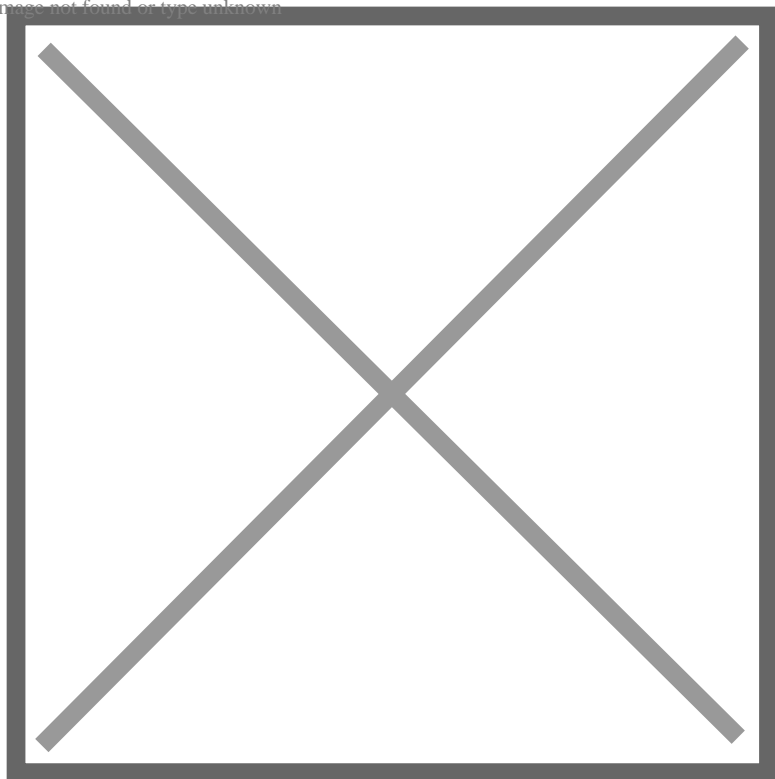
Main Bathroom

The perfect accompaniment to a truly luxurious bedroom, this ensuite is an exceptionally stunning space. Enhanced by mouth-watering tiling and a beautiful chandelier, this really is an extravagant yet heartwarming oasis - a light-lavished sanctuary that

captivating as it is practical.

The Block 2019: Jesse & Mel - House 38E

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This house is conservative but that is what appeals. It is extremely well finished. It is the bookend house at the southern end of development at the top of the hill. This house is one of the favourites to win this year. The Kitchen is functional and well designed. Jesse and Mel know what St Kilda buyers want and they have delivered.

Effortlessly blending 1850s period class with contemporary grace, designer opulence, and exquisite attention to detail, spread over three considered levels, this incredible 4 bedroom, 4.5 bathroom bayside home right in the heart of St Kilda is a residential marvel.

As part of the exciting 2019 season of The Block, Jesse and Mel have crafted a residence that retains much of its original Victorian detail, while further incorporating a wealth of stunning modern features and cutting edge design elements to create a stylish oasis that is elegant and timeless.

Lounge

A front formal lounge is the ultimate example of perfectly balancing the old with the new. Victorian cornicing, detailed skirting, architraves and a beautiful ceiling rose are complemented by custom cabinetry, modern chandelier lighting, gas log fireplace, Calacatta marble border with a carpet inlay to produce a superb living space that is spacious and private.

Bedroom and Bath

The generous first floor guest bedroom showcases soft colour tones, grey velvet feature wall and a sublime ensuite with wet room that contrasts a striking white freestanding bath with surrounding dark tiled walls.

The master bedroom, just a level above, has the same stylish continuity as the guest bedroom and delivers a warming gas log fireplace, another arresting velvet feature wall and a study nook, on top of an open walk-in robe that has terrific natural light through

to a clever skylight.

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The main bathroom on the first floor is splashed with gorgeous travertine floor and wall tiling, dark timber cabinetry which works in harmony with the light tone of the travertine, and a double rain shower featuring a sizeable block seat that is both practical and eye-catching.