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Whether you are renovating or building your dream home, choosing the right exterior look is an important decision as it sets the overall tone for your design. When beginning your build journey, designing from the outside in helps to simplify and inform other key decisions, ensuring that your new home is cohesive and to your style.

Bricks remain forever and are the perfect building material for creating your ideal home, not only for their durability and versatility but for their style, sophistication and timelessness.

While bricks are a fundamental design element of a building's exterior, you can also use them inside, strengthening the connection between indoor and outdoor, creating seamless spaces and bringing new textures and features into your home.

The PGH Style Guide is inspired by global and local trends, designed to suit our Australian lifestyle, house styles and unique landscapes. PGH Bricks want you to embrace your unique style and express it with confidence in your home.

Designed to make your building journey an easy and enjoyable experience, the PGH Style Guide gives you the knowledge and tools to help you feel confident in the selections you make.

After all, homes are about the people who live in them, not just the materials they are made of.

The PGH Style Guide is your ultimate trends forecast, designed to inspire you, identify your style, and help you achieve an exterior colour scheme without the stress. We have worked closely with Nexus Designs, a leading Australian design studio, to help you create a home that is truly yours with nine new material palettes that hero the beauty, strength and design flexibility of brick.

For those wanting to create a tranquil, authentic and relaxing home, Natural Habitat takes its cue from nature. Pairing earthy browns, refined whites and hints of soft forest greens, which impart sophisticated living. Embrace minimalistic shades with New Neutrals, the perfect base palette to develop sophisticated interiors and classic, elegant exteriors.

To make a moody, modern and sleek style statement that always takes centre stage, Luxury Noir is an indulgent style made up of dark metallic blacks, charcoals and deep teal accents.

Be inspired and let your imagination run wild with the versatility of Painted Whites or embrace raw authenticity with the Modern Industrial trend, with its recycled tones, dark charcoals and concrete accents.

No matter what style of home or look you wish to achieve, we can meet you there with nine palettes guaranteed to bring your home to life.

Because trends are ever-changing, you can look to the PGH Style Guide for up-to-date inspirational imagery, professional knowledge and user-friendly cutting-edge tools that allow you to feel entirely confident in your design choices.

Covering key finishes from exterior materials, roof, fascia, gutter, timber trims and even garage door colours. The Style Guide provides everything you need to start your build journey with confidence.

Not everyone can name their personal style, but most people recognise it when they see it! So which style are you? Take our Styles Quiz and discover your style from our collection of nine new material palettes and explore the endless possibilities of building with brick.

Whichever you choose, bricks are the perfect building material for creating your ideal home, and our nine exterior palettes will inspire you to have confidence in the selections you make and find happiness in your build journey.

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NEUTRALS

ENHANCING & LIVEABLE

Minimal, timeless and organic, New Neutrals epitomises effortless style. Adding glowing ambience to any home, its warm palette provides design flexibility that defines architectural interior and exterior features with ease.



A palette of subtle classic neutral shades and a whisper of pink, New Neutrals is sleek and stylish yet warm and liveable. Its versatile palette suits any style of architecture and creates connection between indoors and out.

Neutral palettes are anything but ordinary. Contemporary and classic, its signature shades of beige, creamy white and biscuit contrast effortlessly alongside blonde timber, stainless steel and statement furnishings. Laying a monochromatic foundation that sets the tone for your home, it impacts every element, from lighting choices to landscaping.

Embrace this style combining Zen By Nature – Salt, with soft timbers, natural concrete and brushed nickel accents. Connoisseur – Panna Cotta's buttery tones become the framework for decor, as a counterpoint to bright or richer shades, and enhance a garden setting or entertaining area.

STYLING TIPS

- EXPLORE LIMITLESS SOFT SHADES BY LAYERING NEUTRAL
 TONES TO CREATE TEXTURAL AND VISUAL INTEREST THAT
 POP ALONGSIDE METALLIC FINISHES
- ACHIEVE A SENSE OF MINIMALISM BY LIMITING THE
 COLOUR PALETTE, REPEATING TONE-ON-TONE MATERIALS
 AND COLOURS FOR BEST EFFECT
- 3. EXPERIMENT WITH DIFFERENT TEXTURES, GLOSS SURFACES
 AND CONCRETE FINISHES THAT DEFINE A NEUTRAL SPACE,
 EMPHASIZING WARMTH AGAINST CLEAN LINES
- TIMBER FEATURES ARE ACCENTUATED WITHIN A NEUTRAL SPACE, ADD WHISPERS OF SOFT PINKS FOR AN EFFORTLESS SIGNATURE LOOK

NEW NEUTRALS FEATURES PGH BRICKS ZEN BY NATURE - SALT | PGH BRICKS CONNOISSEUR - PANNA COTTA | CULTURED STONE® PRO-FIT®

LEDGESTONE - SOUTHWEST BLEND | MONIER ROOFING CONCRETE HORIZON - SALT SPRAY | HEBEL - DULUX® MOUNT BULLER

COLORBOND® SURFMIST® | COLORBOND® DUNE® | DULUX® PRAGMATIC | TIMBER FINISH - LIGHT OAK | BACKGROUND DULUX® WHITE DUNE



GREY ALL THE WAY

FRESH & FLEXIBLE

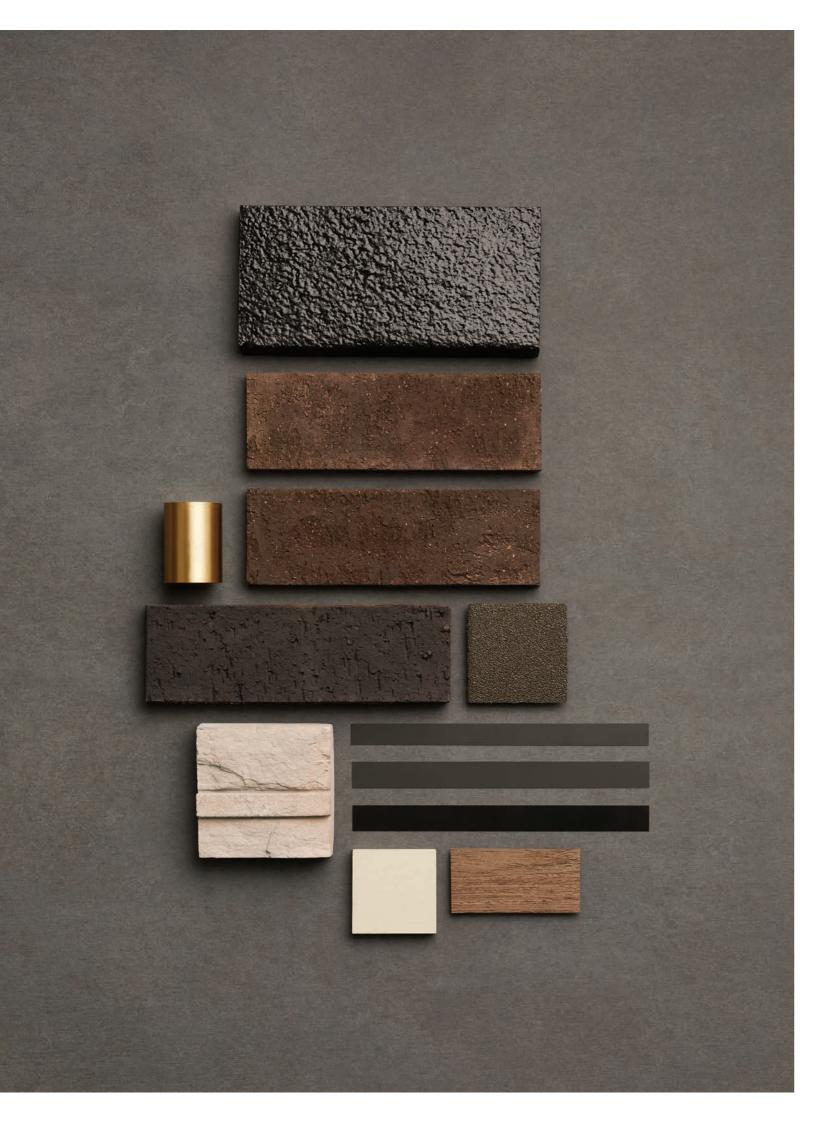
Strong, simple and versatile, Grey All The Way blends style and function with ease. Equally at home in a modern setting as it is in a period home, it is a timeless yet contemporary scheme that is easy to apply and beautiful to live with.



Subtle and graceful or vibrant and dramatic, Grey All The Way is a versatile and extensive palette in shades of slate, graphite, dove and pebble which suit any style of home. Creating a feeling of subtle ambience and warmth, it forms the perfect backdrop for furnishings, outdoor living and lush green landscaping.

Grey All The Way can be applied on its own or mixed and matched for impact. Apply *Dark and Stormy – Lightning* or *Morada – Ceniza* as a statement feature or as a backdrop for other colours, textures or design detail. Blend with dark tones for a warm and cosy ambience, or contrast with white trims for a bright crisp finish. Externally, it is a scheme that looks chic accompanied by white paintwork and beautifully landscaped garden for an elegant and beautiful home to remember.

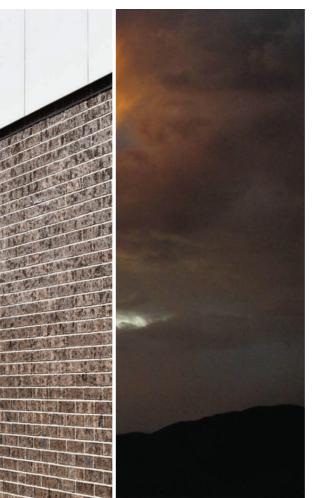
- CREATE A SENSE OF DIMENSION AND DEPTH BY LAYERING SOFT
 GREY TONES ACROSS ALL FINISHES AND MATERIAL ACCENTS
- WARMER SHADES OF GREY EVOKE A WELCOMING, CALMING ATMOSPHERE, WHEREAS COOLER MORE DRAMATIC GREYS LEND THEMSELVES TO A MODERN SCHEME WITH DISTINCTIVE
 CHAPACTER
- GREEN FOLIAGE DRAWS NATURE INTO THE SPACE TO SOFTEN
 THE NEUTRAL TONES WHILE ACCENT COLOURS LIKE PRISTINE
 WHITE AND NATURAL TIMBER ADD ELEGANCE
- 4. FOR BEST EFFECT, SELECTING WITHIN ONE TONAL GROUP OF COOL OR WARM UNDERTONES PAIRED WITH BRIGHT WHITES SHOWCASES AN ALL-GREY PALETTE TO PERFECTION



STORMY

RICH & CONFIDENT

The perfect foundation for a modern environment, Dark & Stormy encompasses a wide spectrum of moody shades that invigorates interiors and exteriors for a sense of drama that is anything but sombre.



Rich with sumptuous shades of chocolate, smoke, charcoal and black, Dark & Stormy is a popular choice with leading architects and designers. Creating a sense of drama and luxury, it complements other shades and textures with ease for an elegant yet cosy ambience.

Dark & Stormy's palette of rich tone-on-tone browns, like mocha, chocolate, cream and coffee, offers vast design flexibility. It complements classic architecture set in nature as well as robust lines and detailing found in urban environments. Dark weathered timbers and warm white accents balance the depth of *Distinctively Melbourne – Eaglemont*, and when meshed with *Dark and Stormy – Monsoon*, creates a home that is sophisticated and welcoming.

STYLING TIPS

- FOR A RICH MINIMAL APPROACH CHOOSE ONE BRICK
 COLOUR LIKE EAGLEMONT OR MONSOON AND MATCH
 ALL OTHER FINISHES AND FIXTURES
- USE ONLY TWO OR THREE DARK TONES LIKE CHARCOAL GREYS, EARTHY DARK BROWNS AND WARM WHITES WITH CONTRASTING SHADES OF BLACK FOR A SOPHISTICATED TONAL VARIATION
- 3. ADDING TEXTURE WITH DARK WEATHERED TIMBER AND STATEMENT BRASS ORNAMENTS WILL CREATE A DEEP AND WARM ATMOSPHERE
- BRING EXTERIOR BRICKWORK INDOORS FOR A
 POWERFUL STYLE STATEMENT SUCH AS A FEATURE
 WALL OR SIGNATURE FIREPLACE

DARK & STORMY FEATURES PGH BRICKS DISTINCTIVELY MELBOURNE - EAGLEMONT | PGH BRICKS DARK AND STORMY - MONSOON | CULTURED STONE® PRO-FIT® LEDGESTONE - SOUTHWEST BLEND | MONIER ROOFING CONCRETE HORIZON - SAMBUCA | HEBEL - DULUX® NAMADJI | COLORBOND® NIGHT SKY® COLORBOND® MONUMENT® | DULUX® PAVING STONE | TIMBER FINISH - WEATHERED CHOCOLATE BROWN | BACKGROUND CEMINTEL® BARESTONE™ - GRAPHITE



MODERN INDUSTRIAL

RAW & URBAN

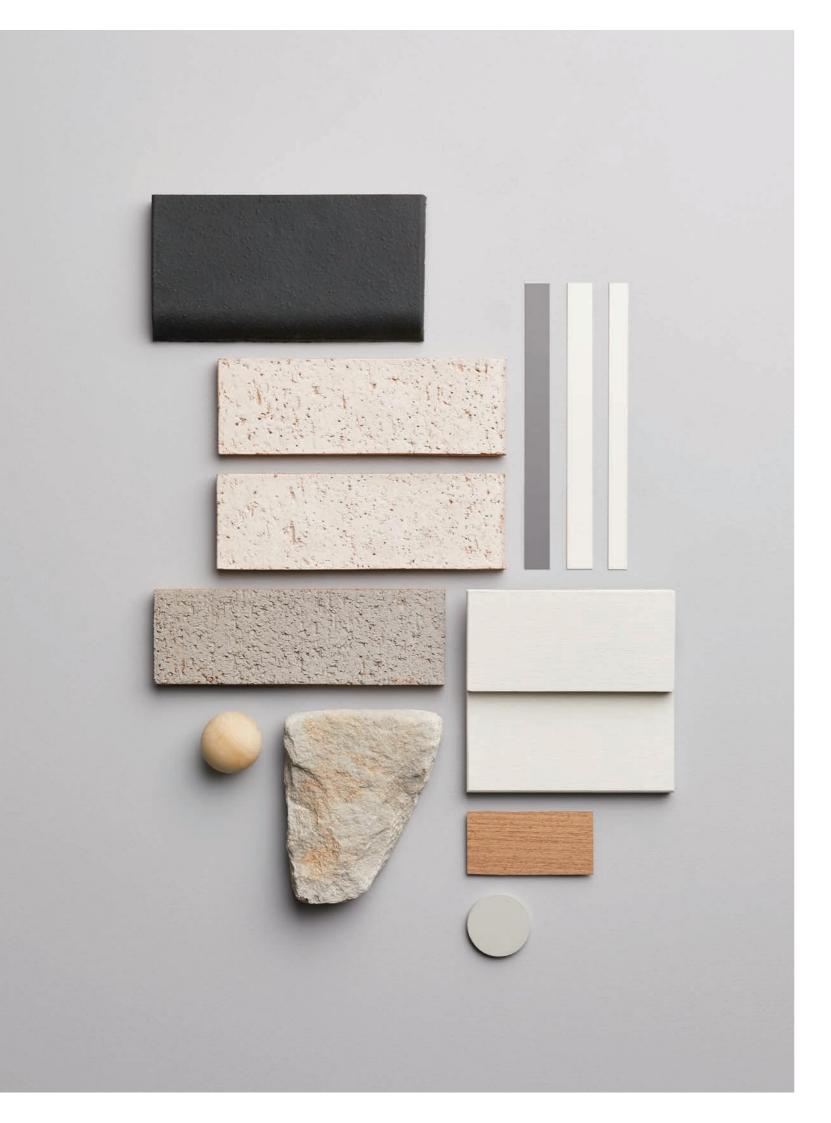
Brave, raw and honest in spirit, Modern Industrial's clean lines and edgy finishes are the very definitions of cool contemporary living.



Embodying a strong utilitarian aesthetic, Modern Industrial honours natural building materials and structural elements for a home that is sleek and liveable. In a colour scheme of warm beiges, dark charcoal tones, crisp white and brushed steel accents, it infuses a home with history, character and confidence. Its artisanal finish highlights the raw beauty of brick, whilst accentuating strong architectural lines.

The perfect accompaniment to beautifully designed furniture, statement lighting and a minimal garden, Modern Industrial can be tailored to suit any taste or lifestyle. Combine Manhattan – East Hampton and Alfresco – Espresso bricks with matte or high-shine finishes like stainless steel, glass and subway tiling, or team with industrial vintage-style pieces and modern landscape design.

- CREATE RAW AUTHENTICITY INSIDE AND OUT BY MIXING
 BOTH MODERN AND TIMEWORN MATERIALS
- 2. MIX STAINLESS STEEL METALLIC ACCENTS TO CREATE INTRIGUE AND EFFORTLESS STYLING
- 3. HERO RECYCLED OR SALVAGED FEATURES WITH BARE FINISHES AND CLEAN SURFACES
- 4. EMBRACE HONEST MATERIALS LIKE THE MANHATTAN RANGE TO IMPART A FEELING OF HISTORY AND CHARACTER



HAMPTONS AT HOME

LIGHT & EFFORTLESS

Embodying a warm and pared-back sensibility with a fresh, invigorating palette, Hamptons At Home beautifully brightens and enlivens any home and garden.



Fresh, crisp and classic, Hamptons At Home expresses the Australian way of life. Its restrained palette of cool and warm greys creates a bright and breezy feel with a refined edge. Stylish and functional, it sits comfortably at home in a country setting, by the sea, or in a busy urban environment.

Hamptons At Home moves away from its classic all-white palette, adding cool mid-greys to its new-look repertoire. Accent light-tone bricks in *Simply Hamptons – Fresh White* with touches of silver, polished timber, crisp white trims and *Coastal Hamptons – Driftwood Grey*. Style with cosy textures, relaxed polished pieces and considered garden accents for a home that feels intimate, elegant, and inviting.

- LAYER MULTIPLE MATERIALS AND SHADES IN LIGHT-TONES
 AND COOL MID-GREYS LIKE STONE AND NATURAL FABRICS
 FOR AN EASY, EFFORTLESS LOOK
- 2. APPLYING VARIED TEXTURES WILL ADD DIMENSION TO
 A BASE PALETTE LIKE WOVEN RUGS, POLISHED TIMBER,
 LINEN TEXTILES AND METALLIC ACCENTS
- 3. SOFT FURNISHINGS IN SHADES OF CRISP WHITE PAIRED WITH WARM RELAXED TIMBER OR RATTAN ADD VISUAL INTRIGUE



ENDLESS STYLE

FROM THE OUTSIDE IN

While bricks are a fundamental design element of a building's exterior, bringing them inside strengthens the connection between indoor and outdoor spaces, enlivening your home with texture, colour and interest.

Brick Facings provide endless design flexibility to get the timeless beauty of brick integrated into any internal space. Often used on internal walls, splash-backs and feature walls, brick facings truly enhance the interior of your home.

We invite you to explore the PGH Style Guide and take inspiration from nine new curated palettes, giving you the confidence to create a home that you will love forever.



NATURAL

TRANQUIL & AUTHENTIC

Embracing warm browns, soft forest greens and gentle neutrals, Natural Habitat is a deeply relaxing palette steeped in nature that provides connectivity and inherent simplicity to any home environment.

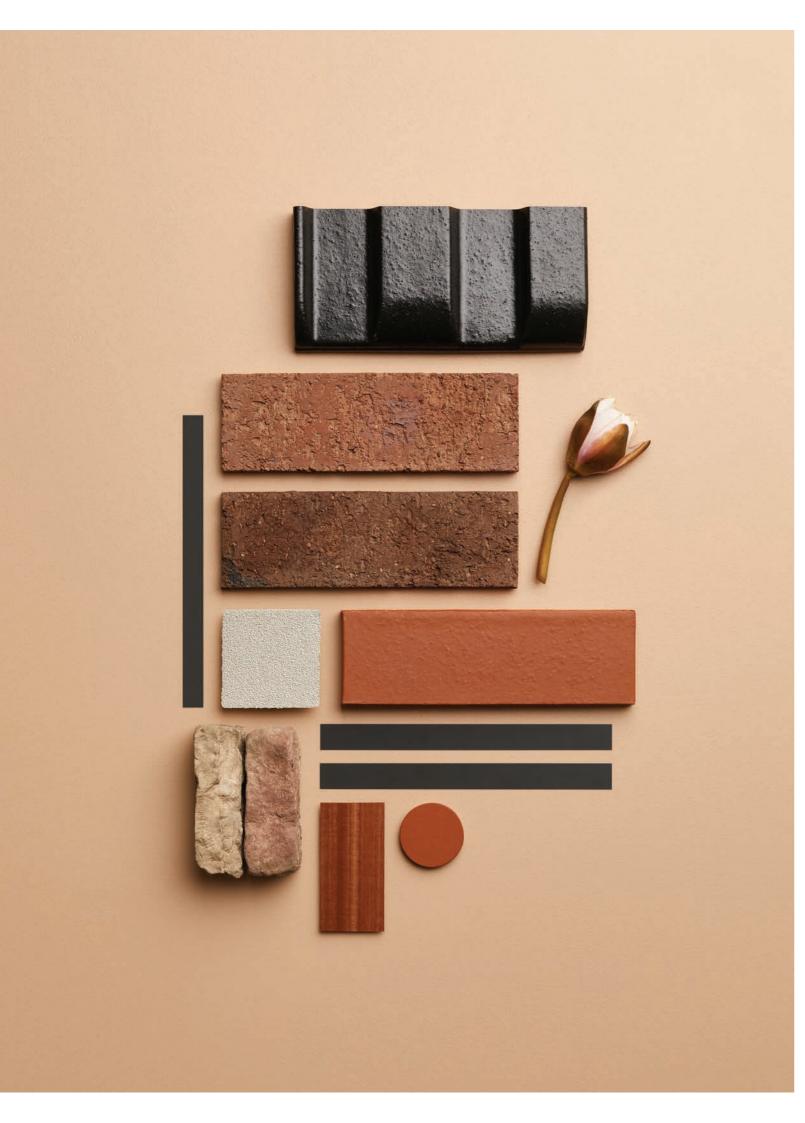


Authentic, calming and positive, Natural Habitat offers a palette of nature-inspired hues ranging from cool greys, crisp white and olive green, to graphite, warm stone and deep earthy browns. Imparting softness and warmth, and with the ability to blur the boundary between inside and out, Natural Habitat is perfectly suited to the Australian lifestyle.

Natural Habitat's palette of warm mid-browns and neutrals suit both modern and traditional homes.

Use Essentials – Heathwood as a flexible backdrop to add other colours and textures to, or Urban Essence – Pathway as an external statement feature. A palette that comes alive when teamed with black, white and deep green accents, it sits comfortably in its environment allowing prominent architectural features and detailing to shine.

- USE AS A GROUNDING PALETTE FOR BRICK FLOORS,
 INTERIOR SPACES AND EXTERIOR FACADES TO CREATE
 A HARMONIOUS AND AUTHENTIC NATURAL SANCTUARY
- BASE COLOURS THAT ARE GENTLE AND NEUTRAL CREATE
 A PERFECT FOUNDATION FOR ACCENTS OF CRISP WHITE,
 DEEP OLIVE GREENS AND WARM BROWNS
- 3. ADD MODERN TOUCHES TO THIS SUBTLE PALETTE WITH NATURAL STONE BENCHTOPS AND BLACK TRIMS
- 4. BRING NATURE INDOORS WITH LIGHT TIMBER ACCENTS
 AND WOVEN FLOORING FOR AN ORGANIC TEXTURAL ELEMENT





STRONG & WELCOMING

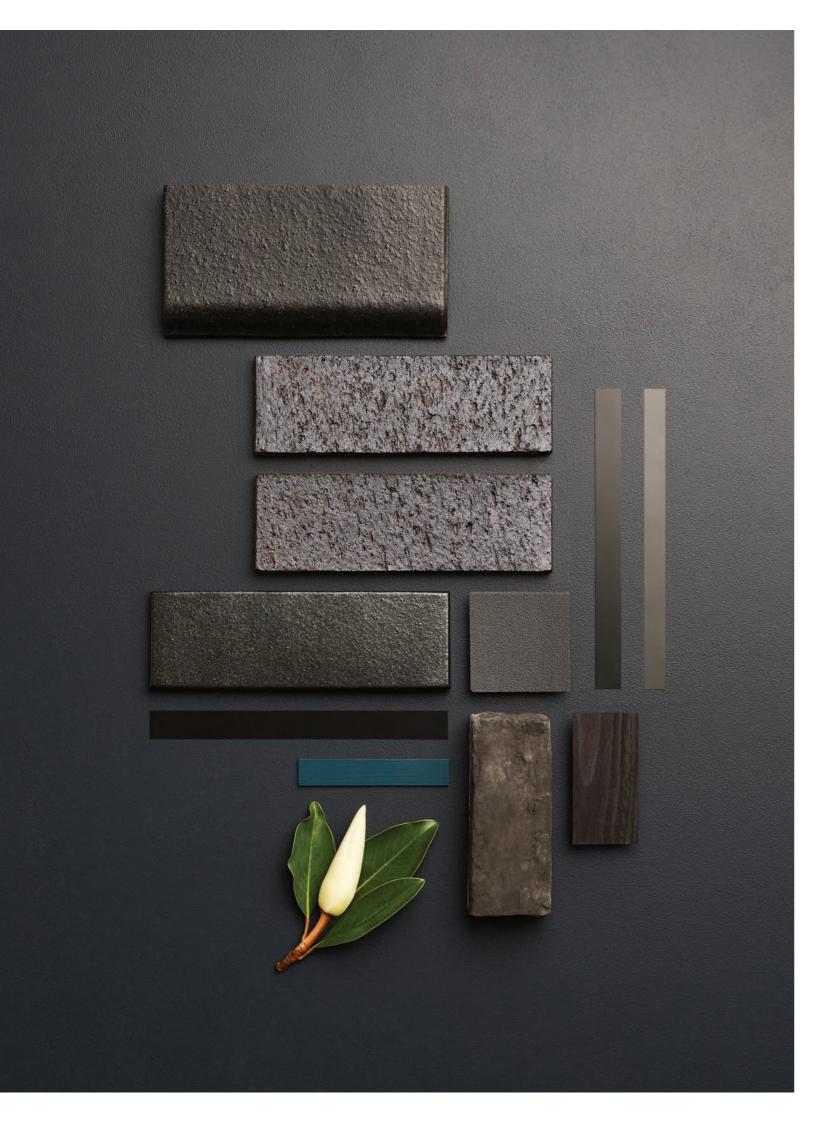
The intrinsic flexibility of Warm Earth's strong confident palette means it can be applied to many styles of architecture. Its grounding shades provide a sense of calm and imbue a sophisticated yet understated aesthetic.



Strong yet lively, Warm Earth captures rich shades of terracotta, ochre, deep tan and spice brown. Providing depth and vitality through a rich monochromatic palette, it perfectly lends itself to classic and contemporary architecture and landscaping.

Contemporary, confident and charmingly uneven in tone and finish, Warm Earth's palette is cool, stylish and practical. Authentic, strong and robust with a patina that improves with time, it is a scheme that suits classic architecture as well as more contemporary styles. Offset the dark charcoal tones of *Distinctively Melbourne – Hartlands* with the more polished *Smooth – Adelaide Red*, adding natural materials like stone, aged timber and brass accents for a cuttingedge interior, facade or outdoor area.

- APPLY THIS PALETTE IN A RUSTIC TRADITIONAL SETTING
 THAT HIGHLIGHTS NATURAL MATERIALS LIKE STONE,
 RED TIMBER AND EARTHY TERRACOTTA TONES
- ACHIEVE UNDERSTATED CONTEMPORARY STYLING WITH
 A NEUTRAL BASE, WARM FLECKS AND BRASS ACCENTS
 FOR A ROBUST AESTHETIC
- 3. CREATE CONTRAST WITH SMOOTH AND TEXTURED BRICKS IN SIMILAR TONES OR WITH DARK CHARCOALS AND ROUGH AGED TIMBER TO MAKE A BOLD STATEMENT



LUXURY

DEEP & DRAMATIC

Allow your home to take a sophisticated textural turn with Luxury Noir. Its rich opulent palette sets the scene, delivering true glamour to any space that is cutting-edge yet warm and inviting.



Luxury Noir strikes a strong style statement highlighting sharp architectural lines and robust materials with an elegant colour palette that cannot help but take centre stage. Inspired by custom elements found in high-end design, its opulent finishes and tones combine to form uniquely beautiful personal sanctuaries, whilst its monochrome palette provides endless impactful colour combinations.

A trend with infinite possibilities, Luxury Noir epitomises high design, sophistication and glamour. Combine Metallic – Pewter and Morada – Nero Gloss bricks with matte or glossy black and charcoal finishes. Elevate with touches of teal and brass, or cream, gold and glossy marble for interior and outdoor areas that radiate pure luxury.

- EXPLORE A DARK, CONFIDENT PALETTE THAT FLOWS FROM INSIDE TO OUTSIDE FOR A CONTINUOUS EXPERIENCE
- 2. CHOOSE ONE METALLIC GLOSSY FINISH AND USE IT

 AS A POWERFUL FEATURE, KEEPING ALL OTHERS SIMPLE

 AND MONOCHROMATIC
- ADD LAYERING WITH TEAL AND BRASS ACCENTS
 CONTRASTED WITH CLASSIC CREAMS AND
 MARBLE SURFACES
- 4. COMBINE MATTE FINISHES WITH SATIN OR HIGHLY POLISHED FEATURES TO CREATE AN OPTIMAL LUXE MIX



PAINTED WHITES

DISTINCTIVE & TEXTURAL

Cool, calm and dynamic in a palette of sun washed whites and greys, Painted White is the ultimate and effortless modern refresh for any interior or exterior space.



Painted White's tranquil alabaster palette with fresh, natural, cream-toned bricks creates a crisp clean first impression to any home. Shades of white, soft grey, and pastel blue accentuate architectural detail and enhance natural light for a serene and contemplative home and garden.

Breathe new life into an all-white scheme using texture. For a raw restrained look, use our *Commons – Smooth* painted in Dulux Summer Cloud Half alongside natural timbers, metallics, raw concrete and crisp *Coastal Hamptons – Washed White*.

Try DIY techniques to achieve unique effects. For a crisp finish, paint smooth bricks white, or apply to textured bricks to showcase their natural surface. For a handcrafted finish and to accentuate artisanal imperfections, try washing or bagging. This not only protects brickwork but forms a textural backdrop that enhances furnishings and landscaping, inside and out.

- REVEL IN THE TEXTURAL BEAUTY OF BRICK BY PAINTING
 OVER AN EXISTING BRICK FACADE TO CREATE A REVITALISED,
 AUTHENTIC LOOK FOR YOUR HOME
- ADD CHARACTER AND TEXTURE TO YOUR HOME BY
 APPLYING PAINT OVER A TERRACOTTA BRICK WHICH WILL
 INCREASE THE WARM UNDERTONE TO PAINTED WHITE
- TO ADD LAYERS OF DEPTH, CONSIDER WHITEWASHED OR CREAM TIMBER ACCENTS, BLACK OR CRISP WHITE FINISHES AND SUBTLE HINTS OF PASTEL BLUE TEXTILES
- 4. CONSIDER THE TACTILITY OF THE BRICK BEFORE PAINTING SMOOTH OR ROUGH, THE NATURAL TEXTURE AND BEAUTY WILL SHINE THROUGH



1 Style of your house

The material that your house is built from also forms the foundation (literally) of its aesthetic appeal. The colour, shape, size and texture of the bricks you choose will influence the overall look and feel of your house. Before you make your final decision, it's worth gathering ideas from the internet, display homes, selection centres and magazines. When renovating, consider how new bricks will appear alongside existing materials.

Many homeowners find it helpful to pull together a mood board of images in the styles of homes they are drawn to. Simply save images (either physically or digitally) of your favourite buildings, bricks, trims and even interior ideas. As your mood board develops, it will often become apparent which style of home best suits your aesthetic and lifestyle.

Different aesthetic to your partner? Try having both of you complete the PGH Bricks Style Quiz to get a better understanding of your individual preferences, to find common ground and choose a style that you are both happy with.

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CHOOSING YOUR BRICK

Australians have always had a love for bricks. Beautiful and strong, they remain a popular choice for new homebuilders and renovators.

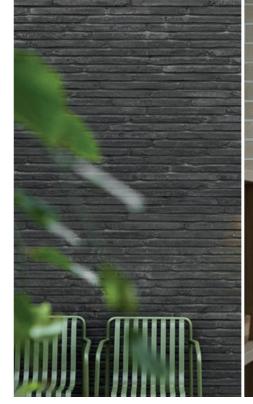
However, with such a broad range of great options available, choosing bricks may seem overwhelming when making your final selection. Here are our top tips to guide you to confidently select the right brick for your home.

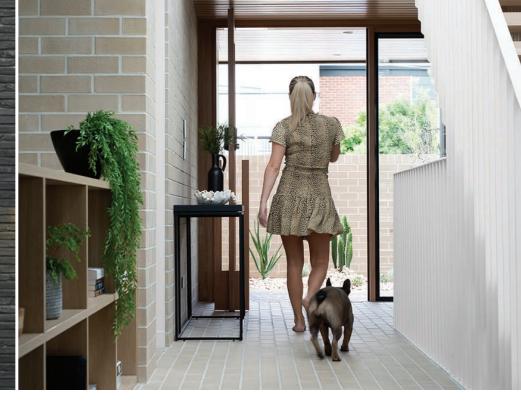
2 Consider your location

Bricks are graded to suit different environmental conditions. The location of your home will determine which grade you need. If you live near the coast or have high-saline soil, you may benefit from exposure grade bricks (EXP)*, which have heightened resistance to salt attack.

General purpose (GP) grade bricks are suited to all other building types and locations. Talk to your builder about any special environmental conditions you should be aware of.

*EXP BRICKS ARE IDEAL FOR HOMES LOCATED UP TO ONE KILOMETRE FROM A SURF COAST OR 100 METRES FROM A NON-SURF COAST.





3 How does it look

COLOUR & TEXTURE

Textural elements can add character, charm and individuality to a home. Brick textures range from a smooth finish, which has a consistent surface and ceramic-like appearance with straight edges, to a more artisan-style of effect, with a dragged or ripped appearance for a weathered look.

Try recycled look bricks from the *Manhattan* range for an authentic raw aesthetic or, if you are interested in a contemporary style, explore the metallic finishes available. To get an indicative feel for the look of your selection, visit iDesign by CSR to visualise your dream home online or a selection centre to see your finishes in real life.

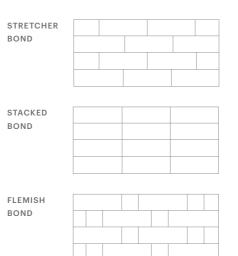
SIZE

Bricks are available in a range of dimensions, including standard sizes, split, double height, linear and super linear. Choosing the right size for your project may depend on different factors, such as the proportions of the house, the style of your exterior and the purpose of the bricks.

How does it stack up

A bond pattern is the style in which the bricks are layered. The most common bond is the stretcher bond, which consists of full bricks offset by half a brick from one row to another.

Stacked and Flemish bonds are also popular and achieve an alternative look, or get creative with hit-and-miss brickwork (especially popular for screening), which allows natural light to shine through.



What holds it together

MORTAR COLOURS

Mortar is the material that binds bricks together and it can have a striking impact on the look of your facade. For example, an off-white mortar between darker coloured bricks will add contrast and highlight the shape of each brick, making the bricks the hero. However, matching the colour of the mortar with that of the brick will soften the brickwork and present a unified appearance. This is especially common with the use of lighter shades of bricks. Common mortar colours include natural or grey; white or off white; cream or buff.

MORTAR JOINT FINISH

With the mortar joint, you can choose round ironed, flush, raked or struck finish, depending on whether you want to highlight or soften the brickwork. For instance, create contrast and shadowing with a raked joint or minimise shadowing with a flush joint.

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