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Clean and Green – West End's SL8 goes back to the future

The homes in FKP Property Group's SL8 are everything a contemporary, inner-city apartment should be, but they take some of their inspiration from what may seem a very unusual source - 1960s Gold Coast high rise.

Back then, 'high rise' didn't mean what it does today and six- to eight-story apartment buildings dotted the Surfers' Paradise strip. On the few remaining examples that can still be seen today, one of the most notable features is their single-loaded design – the architectural style that gives SL8, a single-loaded development at 8 Musgrave St West End, its name.

Single-loaded design means each apartment stretches the entire width of a floor, making cross ventilation as easy as opening doors or windows on either side.

FKP Executive General Manager Queensland, Matthew Miller, said SL8 was designed specifically for Brisbane's sub-tropical climate.

"Catching the breeze has always been one of the aims of a great home in Brisbane, but it's been very difficult to achieve in inner city apartments," said Mr Miller.

"We designed SL8 so that every apartment, skyhome and townhome would have the chance to capture that breeze, which also means energy savings for residents."

A key element of SL8's subtropical design is the embrace of open plan living. Ground floor townhomes offer three bedroom and three bathrooms deliver a fantastic living space spread over 186 sqm.

These townhomes also draw inspiration from the traditional Queenslander, offering a covered outdoor 'verandah' linking the internal and external environments. The front façade is filtered with timber screening to create private settings.

The subtropical feel continues with dynamic colours in balconies, facades and landscaping. SL8 is composed of five two-storey Townhomes, along with an eight and a 10-storey building. The eight storey building also features two storey skyhomes with views of the city, river and Mt Coot-tha.

What used to be the 'wrong side of the river' has now become very right, and West End's combination of bohemian lifestyle and industrial landscape is becoming Brisbane's premium destination for designer apartment living close to the CBD.

At SL8, that inner city living has preserved another great Queensland tradition, the ability to enjoy your own piece of the outdoors.

"We want to ensure that residents of SL8 are able to enjoy an outdoor lifestyle in their own community that functions as their backyard, so we have paid special attention to creating recreation spaces," said Mr Miller.

Nestled among drought tolerant plants will be dedicated lap and wading pool and BBQ area. The pool faces north to reduce shadows cast across the water.

SL8 will have easy access to the Inner City Bypass through the proposed Hale St link and is a block from Davies Park and the Brisbane River. The cafes, bars and shops of Boundary Street are less than a kilometre away. The South Brisbane arts precinct, including Queensland Performing Arts Centre and the Gallery of Modern Art is only a short walk further and a CityCat ferry terminal is also proposed for nearby Victoria Street in West End.

Apartments at SL8 start from \$595,000, ground level townhomes from \$895,000 and top floor skyhomes from \$1.165 million.

SL8, is part of FKP's \$5 billion land and development pipeline across the country.

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