

PROJECT PROFILE: SHAMBALA HOLIDAY RETREAT



Design Firm: Chris Vandyke Designs
Designer: Chris Vandyke
Location: Port Douglas, Qld
Winner: 2005 Residential Environmentally Sustainable Home
Highly Commended Energy Efficient Designs

This property is rented out as an executive holiday home during the peak season and used as the owners' residence for the rest of the year. The six hectare property was to reflect tropical living and be open in plan. A particular challenge for the designer was to create an environment that was both a retreat from the city and also reflected the unique character of the surrounding heritage of the Daintree Rainforest.

This property has won various national awards including 2005 Residential Environmentally Sustainable and Energy Efficient Designs – Highly Commended.

Breezway Altair™ Louvre Windows allow 100 per cent opening of the window area to maximise cross ventilation, which is essential in Queensland's tropical climate. The Shambala project used an extensive amount of timber louvres because they provided privacy, sun control and negated the need for curtains.

Senior Designer for Chris Vandyke Sophie Walter said "We are confident in the quality and standard of Breezway louvres and have used them in at least 500 projects to date. As well as their attractive aesthetic appeal, Breezway

Altair™ Louvre Windows have functional benefits such as security features and tight sealing."

Open planning and adjustable louvres are utilised extensively, allowing user-control to maximise breezes and daylight. The ventilation system eliminates the need for air conditioning as it is cool and comfortable all year.

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The Shambala project incorporates Breezway Altair™ timber louvres into the design for a fresh tropical aesthetic appeal.