

RAUMATI BEACH HOUSE  
Kapiti Coast, Wellington



A deceptively simple form discreetly folded between neighbouring properties, this beach house demonstrates that modestly-sized homes can still be made of luxuriously large spaces. With rooms that are large but few, open but enjoying complete privacy, this house includes all of the bach necessities: open living spaces, an outdoor shower, and direct beach access. Thoughtful design has ensured that this is not just a summer house; in winter it becomes a cosy vantage point to watch as storms approach while the open fire blazes.

“A carefully judged amalgam of the New Zealand bach and the modern pavilion, this opens generously towards the water yet neither dominates nor claims the beach edge... “ NZIA Awards Jury, 2008.

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