

FACT FILE

Interior design NEXUS DESIGNS

Joinery American oak timber veneer with a custom stain, and two-pack finish in Dulux Natural White. Quad cabinet handles, code 5112, powder-coated in Dulux Bronze Pearl, from Designer Doorware. **Benchtop/splashback** Honed Ecu reconstituted stone from Stone Italiana. Emery White handmade tiles from Stonetile Ind. **Storage solutions** Blum Invivo Inner Boxcap open-fronted drawers in the butler's kitchen provide visibility of contents and easy accessibility, from Blum. **Sinks** Franke SQX120C/D Steel Queens from Harvey Norman. **Tapware** Franke Azmut pull-out spray tap from Harvey Norman. **Billi Eco 90 1000** water system from Billi. **Ovens** Miele H5681BP oven and Miele H5080BM microwave combination oven, both from Harvey Norman. **Dishwasher** Miele G5500SCU-BRW dishwasher (butler's kitchen), from Harvey Norman. **Coffee machine** Miele CVA3660 built-in coffee machine (butler's kitchen), from Harvey Norman. **Lighting** Dome lights in Matte Milk (main kitchen), by Mud Australia. **Bestlite** wall lamp in Matt Ivory (butler's kitchen), from Corporate Culture. **Stools** ICS in Spessart Oak by Poliform. **Flooring** Tasmanian oak stained with an Estapol clear finish from Bowens. For stockists see Address Book.

SECRETS OF SUCCESS

Clean lines, dark hues and... a second kitchen.

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"THE EXTRA ROOM FOR STORAGE ALLOWED US TO MAKE THE ISLAND BENCH MORE SCULPTURAL."



DESIGNER Lucy Marczyk: "The back of this house consists of a large rectangular space. Previously, the kitchen was at the north-east end with the informal living area to the north west and meals in the middle. By swapping these spaces over, we were able to create a kitchen with a direct connection to an elegant terrace and beautiful gardens. We enclosed part of the colonnaded west-facing verandah and created a butler's kitchen with two stunning arched windows. The large island bench with handcrafted timber legs has a solid benchtop to function as a buffet for entertaining. Ceramic pendant lights hang gently above with a backdrop of a tiled splashback. The feeling is undoubtedly handcrafted." *What luxury item did you choose for this kitchen regardless of budget?* "Space planning and scale was the key to this kitchen's success. Incorporating a butler's pantry provided a hidden workspace and preparation zone for a very social family. The extra room for storage allowed us to make the island bench more sculptural and 'table like' where we would usually be maximising storage."