

EARTH DESIGN
LANDSCAPING
AND CONSTRUCTION

LANDSCAPE DESIGN GUIDE



"I DON'T HAVE A DESIGN, AND I'D LIKE YOU TO
HELP ME"



This guide will assist us in gathering the required information from you so we can accurately quote, design & construct your project.



Step 1 - Budget



Step 2 - Inspiration



Step 3 - Documentation



Step 4 - Basic Outline



Step 5 - The Quote & The Design



2D & 3D Plan Examples



Material Guide



SUMMARY



Step 1 - Budget

Get clear on your budget. Ideally, what would you like to spend, and if needed, what would you be willing to spend up to?



Step 2 - Inspiration

Get on Pinterest and get creative! This will give us a clear visual on your preferred theme / style.



Step 3 - Documentation

Please send us your site plan and current photos of the site. Photos are not required if we have done, or intend to do a site visit.



Step 4 - Basic Outline

Write down a basic outline of what you want. E.g. Back right corner - Outdoor kitchen / BBQ area near pool with timber bench seat. Depending on the complexity of the project, a phone call plus a site visit may be required. Once we get your initial email / idea, we will know based on this if we should arrange a site meeting.



Step 5 - The Quote & The Design

Once we have received the above information from you, we will provide you with a Design quote. Once the quote is approved & paid, we will begin the design straight away.



Step 1 - Budget



Landscaping is a lot more expensive than you may think. Before anything, it's really important to get clear on what you'd like to spend before you get creative. This will help us, to help you decide on what materials to quote for.

If you're stuck, choose two figures.

1. What you'd like to spend and
2. What you'd be willing to spend.

Eg: I'd like to spend \$30k, but I'd be willing to spend up to \$36k.

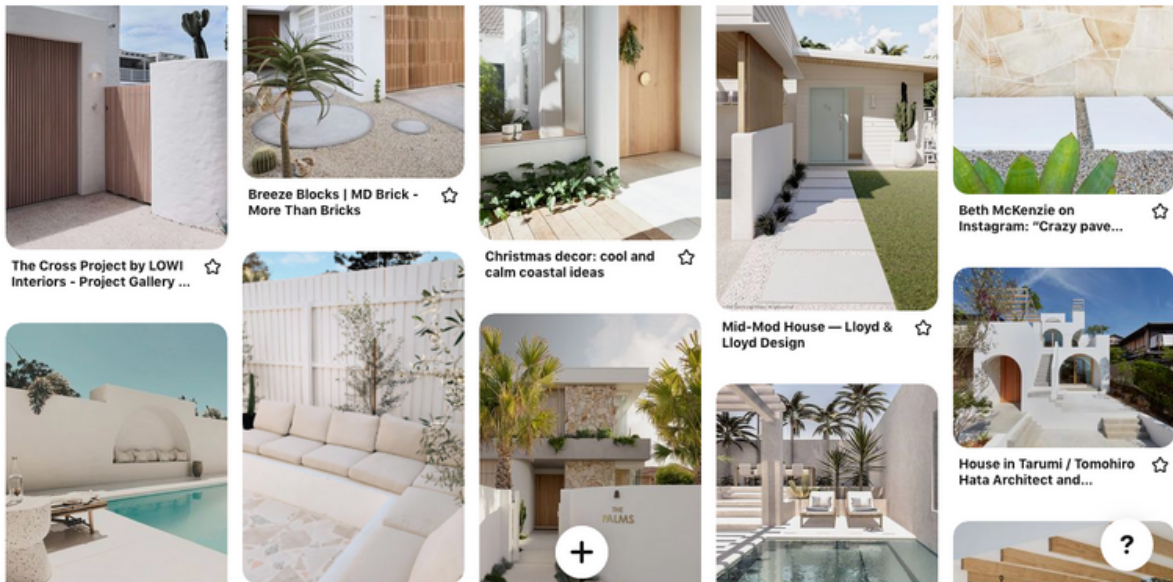
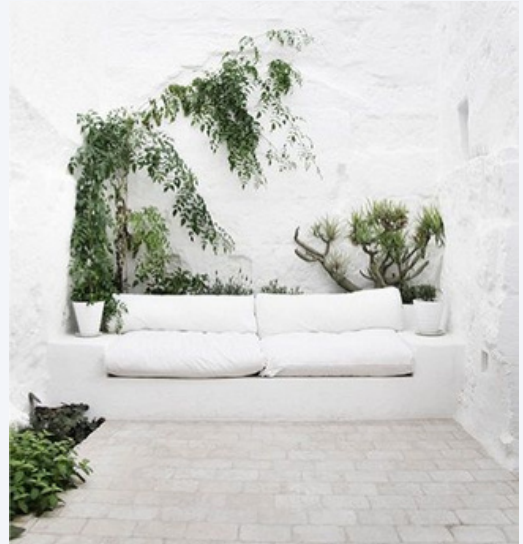
Many people are uncomfortable sharing a budget with a contractor. The discomfort comes from the fear that the contractor will do what they can to charge you the highest amount for their benefit. The reason we ask for a budget is this; your desired design is likely to cost more than your budget. If we know your budget, we can help you achieve your desired design, but with affordable materials, or otherwise make suggestions based on our experience and knowledge how best to achieve your goals within your price range. We are honest from the get go; if your budget doesn't support your design, we will tell you. This is a conversation that needs to be had at the start of a project so all subsequent steps & efforts are not wasted.



Step 2 - Inspiration

Pinterest -
Instagram -
Google Images -

This is a KEY step when we design your landscaping. Jump onto Pinterest, create an account, and start searching for images & ideas that you would like.



Once you have the images you like, share this board with us or attached the images to an email so we can get a clear idea on your expected vision and preferred style / theme.



Step 3 - Documentation

If you are building a new home, please send us your site plans. This is usually a large document with many pages that does not yet have council approval stamps.

Otherwise if it's an existing build, we will be able to purchase a plan from an online source. This price will be built into your design quote and is usually no more than \$60.



Depending on the complexity of the project, we may be required to do a site visit. If however the project is relatively straight forward and simple, a site visit may not be required. If this is the case, please provide some photos of the site labeled with location specific references, or otherwise copy the photos into a word document with captions. Eg: Left hand side blindside, facing the back.



Step 4 - Basic Outline

This process involves writing a list of what you'd like and it's approximate location.



For example:

BACK RIGHT - Outdoor kitchen / BBQ area near pool with timber bench seat.

BACK BOUNDARY - Tropical Gardens with feature rocks

BACK LEFT - Timber bench seat in fire-pit area.

Get clear on what areas are the most important / your priority. For example if your budget doesn't allow for both the fire pit and the BBQ area, which will you keep and which will you let go of?

Present the list in order of priority or let us know in writing what's important to you.

If there are particular materials you would like, and particular materials you do not like, please also let us know.

Even if you are unsure of what you want to go where, please provide us a dream list.



Step 5 - The Quote & The Design

Gather all of your information, documentation, job description, images and email it through to info@earthdesignlandscaping.com

The more information the better!

We will then provide a quote for the design based on the job scope. The price is based on the amount of work & complexity involved in your vision and project.

Once we have your approval and the design has been paid for, we will begin your design straight away.

The turn around time for this will depend on your project complexity, but usually 2-3 weeks for your preliminary design, plus an additional 1-2 weeks per revision.

Once I present your preliminary design, you will have up to two design revisions and quote adjustments, but unlimited access to us for questions and assistance.

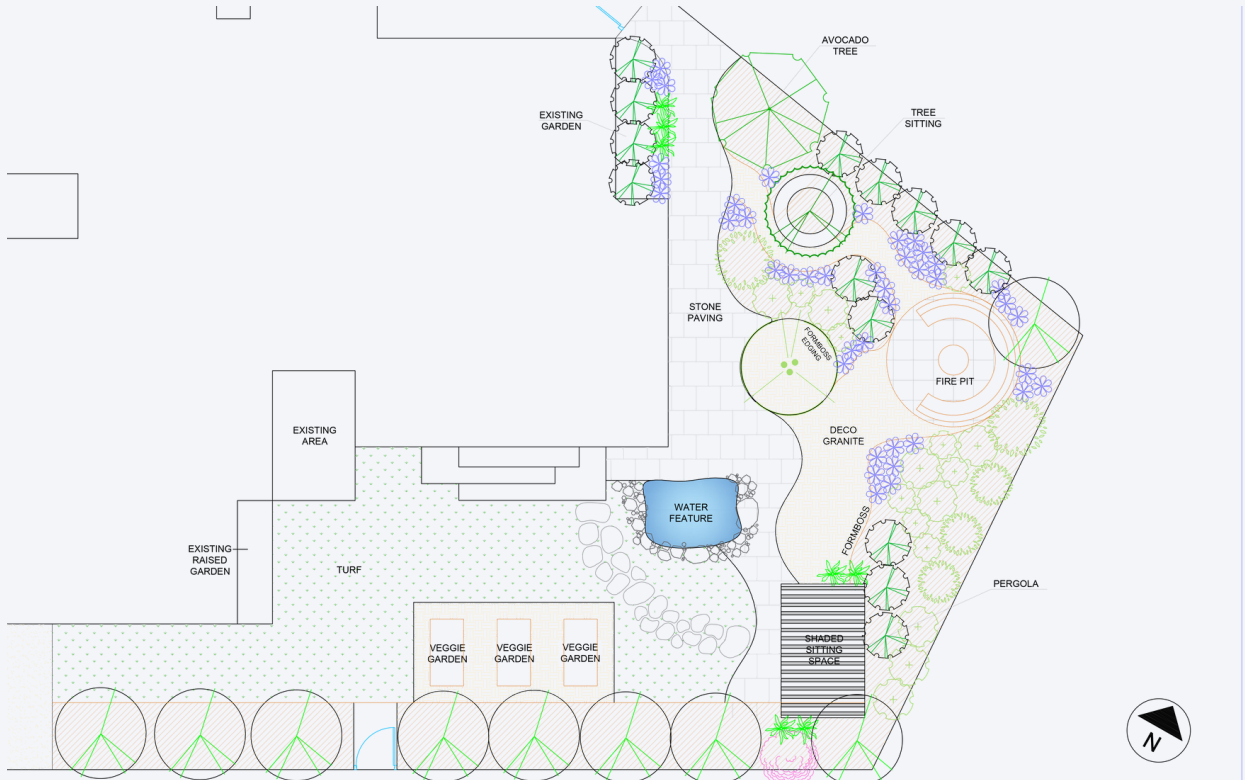
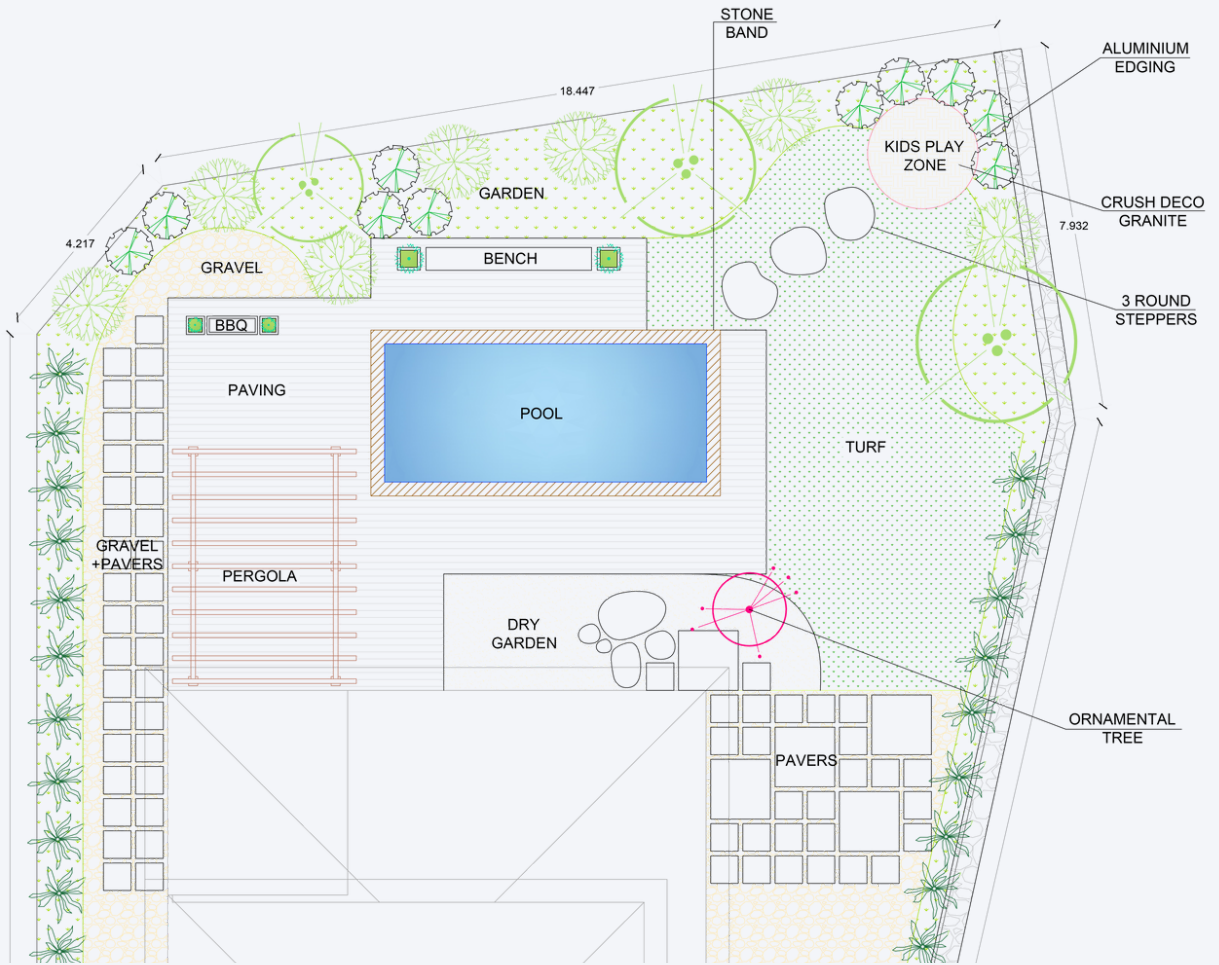
The Design is professionally presented in an electronic format. 2D Plans are provided for the preliminary design, and 3D renders are provided once the preliminary design has been finalised.

The final Design presentation will include a mood board, material detail for each element, 2D and 3D plans.

Any structures that require engineering and approval are not included in the quote and will need to be done separately. We can assist you throughout this process.



Examples of 2D Plans





Examples of 3D Renders



VIEW FROM PAVEMENT



VEGGIE GARDEN BOX



TREE SITTING NEAR DECO GARDEN



PERGOLA VIEW FROM GARDEN



VIEW FROM PAVEMENT



FIRE PIT AREA



PERGOLA SITTING



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	AFFORDABLE	MIDDLE RANGE	LUXURY
RETAINING WALLS			
TREATED PINE	✓		
HARDWOOD TIMBER		✓	
CONCRETE SLEEPERS		✓	
SANDSTONE LOGS		✓	
MASONRY BLOCK		✓	
BLOCK RENDERED RETAINING WALL			✓
BLOCK STONE CLADDED RETAINING WALL			✓
PAVING/TILING			
PORCELAIN	✓		
CONCRETE	✓		
TRAVERTINE			✓
LIMESTONE			✓
GRANITE		✓	
MARBLE			✓
BLUESTONE		✓	
PEBBLES/GRAVEL			
CRUSHED GRANITE		✓	
DRAINAGE AGGREGATE	✓		
DECORATIVE PEBBLES			✓
RIVER STONE			✓
TURF			
COUCH	✓		
KIKUYU	✓		
BUFFALO		✓	
ZOYSIA			✓
FENCING			
TREATED PINE	✓		
HARDWOOD TIMBER		✓	
COLOURBOND	✓		
ALUMINIUM SLAT			✓
BRICK COLUMNS WITH SLATS			✓
GLASS BALUSTRADE		✓	
GARDEN EDGING			
TREATED PINE	✓		
HARDWOOD		✓	
ALUMINIUM STEEL		✓	
CORTEN EDGING		✓	
BRICK PAVING		✓	
SANDSTONE BILLETS			✓
STAIRS			
TREATED PINE	✓		



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	HARDWOOD		✓
	SANDSTONE LOGS & BILLETS		✓
	TILES/PAVED		✓
DECKS			
	HARDWOOD TIMBER		✓
	TREATED PINE	✓	
	COMPOSITE DECKING		✓
PERGOLAS			
	TREATED PINE	✓	
	HARDWOOD		✓
	ALUMINIUM		✓



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