



Brighton Townhouses / Martin Friedrich Architects



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Architects: [Martin Friedrich Architects](#)

Location: [Brighton](#), Australia

Design Principal: **Martin Friedrich**

Project Architects: **Michael Ceckiewicz** , **Kris Treagus** and **Prashanth Iyer**

Area: **519 sqm**

Year: **2013**

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Buldier: **1186 Pty Ltd**

Structural Engineer: **Vayco Structures**

Landscaping: **Jack Merlo Design**

Joinery: **Touch wood cabinetry**

Metal Work: **Hiba design and construct**

Electrical Contractor: **Eslec**

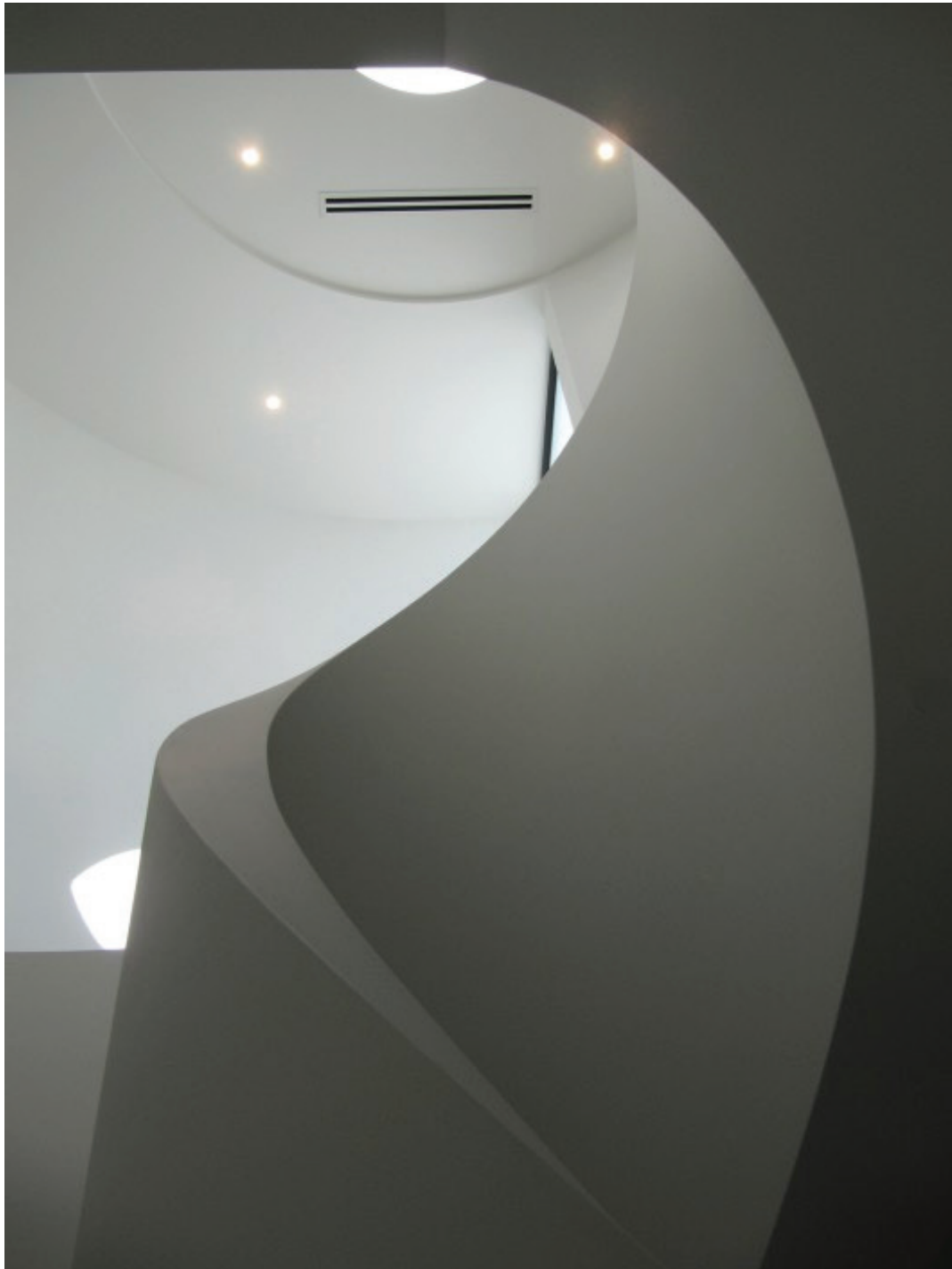
Total Site Area: **697 sqm total**



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From the architect. In today's world, while requiring their indoor areas to provide for a comfortable and perhaps luxurious lifestyle, many people no longer want or need the maintenance of large gardens. These two townhouses in an affluent, Bayside suburb of Melbourne have been designed to be the perfect answer for this lifestyle.

The minimalist, contemporary design of these Brighton townhouses include spacious living / dining rooms opening via sliding doors allowing full openings to entertainer's



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courtyards with wrap around pools.

The main entry areas opens onto a fully glazed wall orientated to view the pool beyond. However the pivotal feature of this space is the free standing sculptural circular staircase transcending all three levels with a large circular skylight flooding the interior in natural light.

The building is finished in a minimalist palette of pure white render externally with white



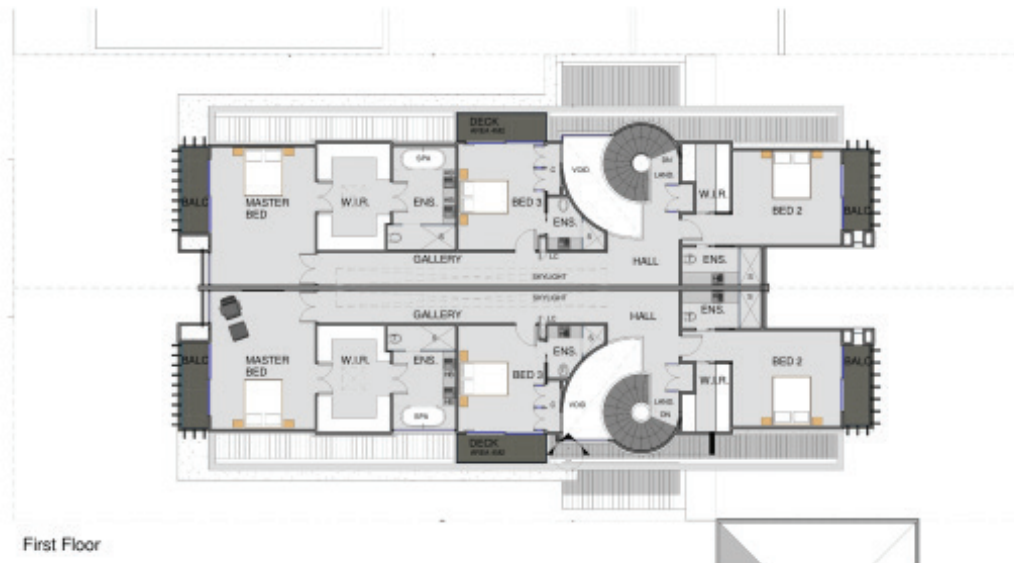
Floor Plan



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louvers on the front and rear providing privacy from the neighbouring townhouse and

breaking up the simple shapes of the cantilevered cuboidal forms. Internally, the deep grey European oak flooring, Pietro Grigio marble and mink grey carpet contrast with the white walls and add warmth and richness. The colour of the flooring is repeated in custom designed cabinetry throughout the houses including the cinema and study. The pure white interior is further accentuated by the vivid colours of the artwork.



Floor Plan

On the first floor 3 generous sized bedrooms enjoy access to private en-suites, walk in robes and private balconies. These are connected via a gallery walkway with a continuous skylight running along the entire length. This skylight is broken up into 8 glazed sections with gimble lights in each section projecting on paintings below.

The basement with natural light permeating from the skylight 3 level above houses cinema, cellar, gymnasium and a 5 car garage with turntable.



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