

# WHITEHAVEN - A Cancer Survivor's Passion Project

'Whitehaven' in Bardon is the epitome of modern family living with five bedrooms, three bathrooms, state-of-the-art kitchen, four separate entertaining areas, magnesium swimming pool and seamless indoor/outdoor flow with a level backyard. As stunning as this property is, the story behind it is what makes this home extra special. This piece of paradise was renovated and rebuilt by cancer survivor, Alice Hagen along with her husband, Justin Hagen. It represents every experience that they had being in real estate for the past 14 years.

When Alice and Justin, aged 24 and 25 respectively, decided they wanted to purchase their first home, they felt they were priced out of the Sydney market. Justin, originally from Brisbane, thought it would be a good idea to explore the Brisbane market. So in 2006, Alice and Justin moved to Brisbane in a hope to purchase their first home. Within 2 weeks, they had purchased a property sight unseen with a hope to build their forever home one day and a second property as an investment. This sparked a new venture for Alice and Justin.

Within 4 years of purchasing their first home, Alice and Justin had accumulated 10 properties and commenced a real estate agency with scope to sell and manage their own properties. However, in 2010, the real estate agency became a boutique agency servicing more than just their own properties. As the company grew, Alice and Justin sold off most of their properties to fund the new vision for the agency.

In 2019, 5 months after the birth of their fourth son, Alice found out she had stage 3 cervical cancer and started treatment immediately. This changed their immediate goals for 2019. After finishing her treatment, Alice started to focus on her passion. Funnily enough, it was renovations, but this time she wanted to renovate a Queenslander, one of Alice and Justin's bucket list goals. They purchased a property in Bardon and Alice enrolled in the Three Birds Renovations "Reno School" and began plan-ning the renovation.

One year on and 'Whitehaven' in Bardon is now completed. Whitehaven represents everything that Alice and Justin have learnt renovating and being in real estate for the past 14 years. "We designed the home with the help of Simon Hughes, HBE Architects, and Antun and Carmel Cule, Cule Constructions, to create a home that we would love to live in, every element has been carefully selected by Alice and myself and I believe it represents the ideal modern family layout – all bedrooms upstairs, while downstairs has a seamless flow with indoor/outdoor living." Justin states.

Alice mentions "I am really proud of this project, we have not compromised on anything we wanted to include in this home".

'Whitehaven' at 103 Alexandra St Bardon is going to auction Sunday 29th November at 11am onsite. See more here:

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