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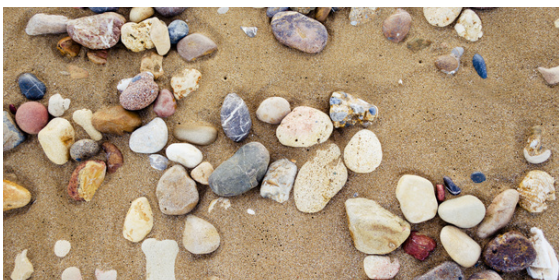
DESIGN AND BUILD ON A HILL SITE
A Beachstone homes Guide



OUR ESSENTIAL GUIDE TO DESIGN AND BUILD ON A HILL SITE

This guide is designed to help individuals design and build a new home on a hill site.

Whether you're just starting to explore the idea, you have just found the perfect block of land or you're deep into the planning process, this guide will help you ask the right questions and reduce unwanted costs and risks involved with hill site construction.



BEFORE YOU PURCHASE THE LAND

Ask a building designer and builder to review the site with your design and budget brief in mind. Ask them for advice on potential risks, issues and costs.

Ask the selling agent if a geotechnical report is available.

Review neighbouring properties and potential risk of a potential view being built out.

SELECTING A BUILDER & BUILDING DESIGNER

Ask what their experience is with similar sites and design requirements.

Ask what challenges they faced and how they overcame them.

Ask what experience they have with basement construction, retaining walls and waterproofing. What systems they have used before.

DESIGN AND CONSTRUCTION PRINCIPLES

Design your home to work with the contours of the land to reduce site costs and provide better indoor-outdoor flow.

Minimise risk by constructing retaining walls outside the building envelope or providing a serviceable space between the retaining wall and your home.

Use tried and tested materials and systems recommended by your design and construction team.

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