





Look both ways

The kitchen in this holiday home is designed so the owners can simultaneously enjoy the view and keep an eye on the children at play Holiday homes are, by nature, often sited in the more picturesque parts of the country. But while there's a need to maximise the views, no-one wants to compromise the functionality of the kitchen.

This house, on the shores of Lake Hawea, was designed by architect Barry Condon of Sarah Scott Architects to offer the best of both worlds.

"The kitchen is part of an open-plan living space that captures the 180° views and opens up to a large deck," Condon says. "This entire space is used for family

living and entertaining - there's an easy flow between all areas, and the outdoors."

To further maintain the sense of connection between inside and out, the kitchen echoes the pared-back aesthetic of the architecture.

"We have used the same clean-lined architectural language," says Condon. "The floor is polished concrete with an exposed aggregate sourced locally, and Southland beech timber appears on the overhead cabinets and peninsula. And a timber acoustic ceiling helps to counter

any noise generated by the hard surfaces."

The timber is teamed with composite stone benchtops and white lacquered cabinets that bounce the light. A mirrored splashback reflects the spectacular view, and enables the owners to keep an eye on children playing in the family room.

Condon says every item has its own space in the kitchen – there is even a concealed cabinet on the left side of the peninsula with storage for board games.

Vertical pantries and large drawers help to maximise the storage.

Above left: Southland beech timber, composite stone benchtops and a polished aggregate floor enhance the natural look of this kitchen in a new holiday home designed by architect Barry Condon The sink is positioned in front of a tall window to maximise spectacular views of Lake Hawea and the Southern Alps.

Above: The views are reflected in the mirrored splashback. To maintain the pared-back, linear aesthetic of the architecture, the streamlined cabinets have recessed pulls. A sleek induction cooktop and concealed power pack ventilation unit also help to keep the look uncluttered.

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Architect: Barry Condon, Sarah Scott Architects Cabinetry: Southland beech with lacquer finish Benchtops: Reconstituted stone in Raven Splashback: Mirror

Sink: Oliver

Oven, cooktop, ventilation and dishwasher: Miele

Refrigerator: Fisher & Paykel Lighting: The Lighthouse Flooring: Polished concrete

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Left: Large sliding doors open up the entire family living space to an expansive deck that is ideal for informal entertaining. The raised cabinet at the inside end of the peninsula incorporates a handy nook for car keys and phone chargers.

Above: The same cabinet conceals shelving for board games and other children's activities. Red bar stools and small appliances introduce a fun, bright accent.

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