

## **MASUTO**

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With an abundance of natural light and a continual feeling of openness, this elongated Melbourne home is a true urban oasis. Despite its metropolitan location, the design has been thoughtfully interspersed with greenery-laden pockets and transitional spaces, which create a sense of sanctuary amid the suburban sprawl.

Inside, a central courtyard and external blockwork blade walls allow natural light to flood the hallway and provide framed views of the landscape. At the foot of the staircase, the courtyard and two-story void create an impressive spatial design pinnacle while visually and acoustically connecting the ground floor to the upper floor. The space also plays an important role in giving the natural scenery a sense of presence within the interior.

In addition to considering the environment on an experiential level, the design also achieves passive solar design and lowered energy consumption, making for not only an aesthetically pleasing dwelling but a healthy living environment.













