



ith a million-dollar outlook to Bass Strait and beyond, this double-storey home at Inverloch, in South Gippsland, has succeeded in taking every advantage of it.

At every twist and turn you can see the water.

The ocean views from the front door are simply stunning, and the vista has not been wasted on the full-width windows. One of the most dramatic views can only be enjoyed from the bathroom.

Even as you go up the stairs, porthole windows give you a tantalising glimpse. A circular three-cornered landing, like you might expect on a lighthouse, gives the stairs a nautical feel ... another reminder that we are near the ocean.

The house was primarily designed around the views, which are to the south. This posed particular challenges to get light in to the house from the north.

The site slopes so it was decided to build on 200mm treated pine poles. Because of this construction, 'Shadow-Clad' wall-cladding was selected for both its light weight and its natural weathered appearance. It looks right at home in this setting.

For energy-efficiency, all windows have been double glazed.

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AREA	312m²
COST	\$163,000



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**OVERALL WINNER** 



The garage offers secure parking, with remote-control door operation and direct access to the house.

This big home was designed to cater for an extended family with a link between the entrance and a bridge across the large outside deck. Balustrading around the deck uses a framework of metal tubing and stainless steel wire infill to provide a safe and relatively low-maintenance barrier.

The main living area, downstairs,

includes two bedrooms, the kitchen and family, lounge and dining rooms. Upstairs is a self contained retreat area with en-suite and its own pergola and deck.

