

An aerial photograph of Mayan Luxe Villas, a luxury accommodation complex nestled in a lush, green landscape. The complex features several buildings with blue roofs and wooden facades, surrounded by a large, open green field. A paved road leads to the property, and a parking area with a few vehicles is visible. In the background, there are rolling hills covered in dense forest under a clear blue sky.

Mayan Luxe Villas

BESPOKE, SUSTAINABLE, LUXURY ACCOMMODATION

Mayan Luxe Villas offers bespoke accommodation on 100 acres
in the Noosa Hinterland, Kin Kin, QLD.

Mayan Luxe Villas is environmentally-friendly, sustainable, luxury accommodation in the Noosa Hinterland town of Kin Kin with sweeping views of the surrounding countryside. Situated atop of Mayan Farm on 100 acres of fertile grazing land with roaming droughtmaster cattle, quarterhorses and sheep, Mayan Luxe Villas was designed and constructed from rammed earth and recycled timbers by locals Brett Gowley and Jodie Williams taking two years to build and perfect with significant thought, research, skill, dedication and attention to detail.

Originally planned as their family home and a part-time bed and breakfast, the idea to make it primarily an accommodation destination came after Covid affected their restaurant and catering business, BlackAnt Gourmet @ Kin Kin General Store. "It's been especially tough in the hospitality trade the past couple of years. We decided to open our just-finished home to guests looking for some sustainable, private accommodation in the country to get away from the madness – especially as no-one could travel far."

Mayan Luxe Villas is constructed using rammed earth walls from earth dug on-site to create a dam to service Mayan Farm. By adding decomposed granite, sand and white cement, the ideal blend was created for the building process and to meet engineering and certification requirements.

Brett constructed the walls on-site by ramming the aggregate mixture, including gravel, sand, deco and clay otherwise known as "between formwork". After removing the formwork the stunning effect was revealed – one that blends with the surrounding land and has a Tuscan feel.

Brett is just as passionate about the home's sustainability as its appearance. "Rammed earth looks great but it also has amazing thermal properties – we don't need heating or airconditioning. It's incredibly durable and doesn't need much maintenance, there's no need to even paint the walls!"

Stabilised Rammed Earth Construction is known as an environmentally-sustainable building method that has a CSIRO fire rating of four hours and high thermal mass



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properties which is highly desirable in the Australian climate.

They say "if walls could talk" but here it's the timber that talks. In total 80 per cent of the timber used in the construction was recycled and has its own history and story to tell. There are railway sleepers, old bridge timbers and even timbers from the original slab hut building on Mayan Farm. The lintels above the doors and windows are local recycled old bridge timbers collected over the years by Brett.

Mayan Luxe Villas features bespoke fixtures and fittings throughout include speciality lighting and switches, hand-crafted furniture, recycled timber seating and a custom-made firepit.



Featuring recycled and milled timbers, railway sleepers from the original slab hut on Mayan Farm, polished concrete floors throughout, the bespoke craftsmanship is evident in the unique fixtures and fittings.

Stay

AT MAYAN LUXE VILLAS

Mayan Luxe Villas is a whole-of-house experience ideally suited to three couples, but can sleep up to 8 guests. It comprises a central entertaining pavilion with chef's kitchen, butler's pantry, dining and living spaces and a QB/study with access to third bathroom. The East and West Wing Villas are separate to the central pavilion and are self-contained KB suites – one also with a bath under the stars and kitchenette/laundrette. Outside there are three alfresco entertaining and dining areas in landscaped grounds, a plunge pool, pizza oven and firepit.

Mayan Luxe Villas, Kin Kin

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Enjoy a unique accommodation and dining experience



Catering

IN-HOUSE FOR GUESTS / SMALL FUNCTIONS

Black Ant Gourmet @ Kin Kin General Store provides award winning catering to Mayan Luxe Villas with options including breakfast hampers, pizzas for the woodfire pizza oven, gourmet picnic hampers, three-course fully prepared long lunch/dinners, and formal three or four course dining by in-house chef. Small functions (up to 20pp) can be catered for by prior arrangement.