



beautiful comfortable healthy fire resistant customisable



## Features & Benefits:

#### Beautiful earthen finish:

Having the natural appearance of compressed earth, they can be left raw; displaying the natural colours and textures of the soil used. However, if desired, our blocks can also be rendered over using a breathable lime or clay plaster.

#### **Thermal Comfort:**

Acting as a thermal battery, their 'mass' absorbs the ambient temperature and slowly releases it, balancing out the high and low temperature fluctuations. A great example is in solar passive house design, positioning a block wall to receive the winter sun to store this warmth for the cold evenings.

#### **Healthy:**

Earth walls absorb excess moisture, which reduces the potential of mold and allergens to develop. These benefits combined with the fact that our blocks contain no toxic chemicals or VOC's create a truly healthy product.

#### Fire resistant:

Made from non-combustible materials, ideal for building in bushland and fire prone areas.

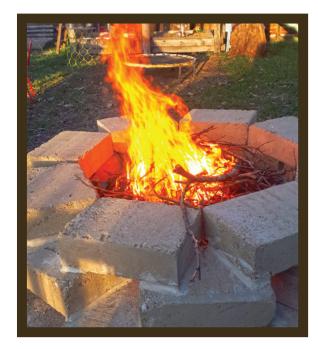
#### Low embodied energy:

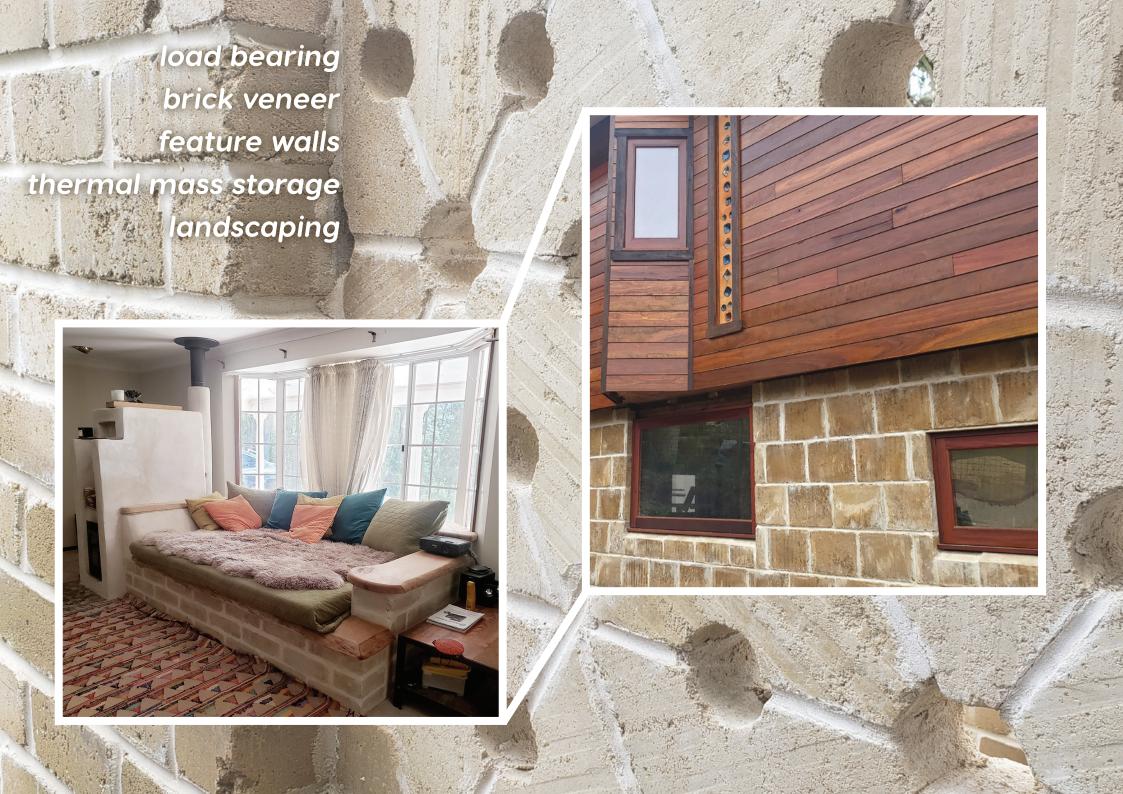
Produced though the compaction of local soils our blocks are not kiln fired. They require little to no cement due to the bonding characteristics of clay.

#### **Customised to order:**

At Mudtec we love and encourage creativity and are happy to work with you to create something unique. Striking results can be achieved by using different soil mixes, adding colourful oxides or changing the block height.







## **Applications:**

#### External or internal load bearing applications:

Mudtec blocks can be laid in either a 250mm or 350mm thick wall depending on what is required. A double block wall can be laid if a greater thickness is required by engineering or if insulation is to be incorporated internally.

#### Non load bearing or brick veneer applications:

Mudtec blocks can be installed as an 80mm thick veneer externally or as a reverse brick veneer (internal). or on edge for an infill or partition wall achieving a wall thickness of 120mm.

#### Feature walls:

Colour and texture rich, Mudtec blocks provide a unique opportunity for a feature wall.

#### Thermal mass storage:

An internal feature wall can also double as a thermal battery, helping to maintain a constant comfortable temperature all year round

#### Landscaping:

As a result of the durability, strength and natural appearance of our blocks they have been used as retaining walls, and garden beds.





## **Designer** Delisle Hunt Wood Pty Ltd

**Builder** Lou Projects

Block Type
Standard Holey + Solid blocks

Block Size 110mm high x 350mm long x 250mm deep



**Our Projects Online** 

## **Case Study**

### Reverse Brick Veneer Home Narara Ecovillage

Dan and Deborah, with their architects at *Delisle Hunt Wood Pty Ltd*, have created a beautifully efficient home with high-quality natural materials. Our blocks have been used internally in a reverse brick veneer construction, utilising standard timber framing and clad externally in *Weathertex* cladding.

**Mudtec Blocks** provide internal thermal mass to help regulate and stabilise internal temperature. This thermal mass, or thermal battery as it's sometimes referred to, is insulated from the external temperature variations by *Life Panels' Pavaflex* wood fibre bulk infill within the timber framing. The whole house is sealed in a breathable thermal wrap by *Pro-Clima* before being clad for that final layer of protection. Not only do our blocks help stabilise temperature, but due to their 'breathability', they help regulate humidity, providing a more well-rounded thermal comfort.

This construction method is ideal for producing high performance passive thermal comfort with the correct solar orientation and window placement. **Mudtec Blocks** feature in almost every room of the house and will look great in a variety of finishes, bagged, rendered, and sealed. Sustainable Building Design with attractive and durable materials go hand in hand to make the house look beautiful and create a calm environment for their family home.









## **Product Guide**

In general Mudtec produce 2 types of blocks, with holes and without holes. Each of which can be stabilized, or un-stabilized, depending on their use and requirements.

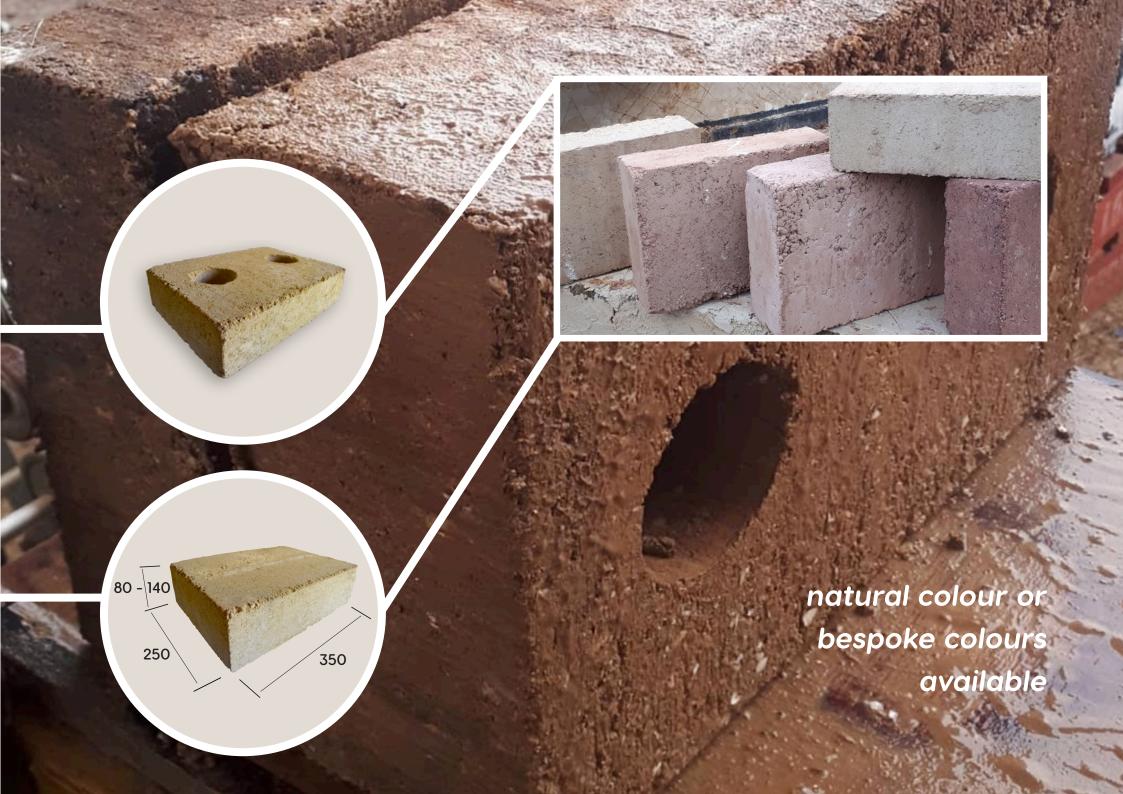
#### **Blocks with holes**

- The holes are great for linking the slab to the walls using rio or likewise for linking the roof to the wall or slab.
- Through careful planning services also can run through these holes (such as electrical conduit).
- The holes provide a block that is easier to handle as you can use the holes to grip the block and it is slightly lighter than our solid block.

#### Solid blocks

- The solid blocks have the advantage that they can be installed on their side to create a thinner faster to install wall, such as an internal wall.
- They also have a slightly greater thermal mass than our blocks with holes.

**Note:** Our common size is 90mm high x 250mmx 350mm, however the thickness of the blocks can be adjusted between 80mm to 140mm for special orders.

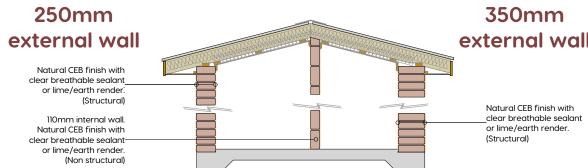


external solid wall insulated face insulated cavity brick veneer reverse brick veneer



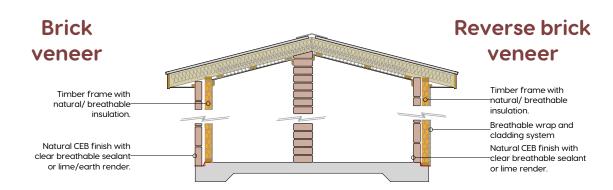
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## **Construction Options**



external wall

#### Insulated Insulated face cavity Insulation board in 250mm or 350mm thick CEB wall. cavity, tight to exterior Breathable insulation board layer. Air gap to allow fixed to CEB. Lime render or for breathability of battens and cladding to finish internal block wall. (Structural) 250mm internal wall. Natural CEB finish with Natural CEB finish with clear breathable sealantclear breathable sealant or lime/earth render. or lime render. (Structural)





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