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Trunk House Victoria

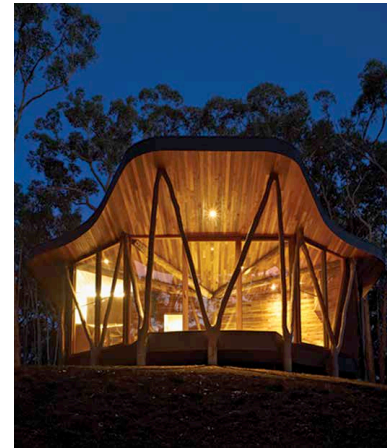
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OVERVIEW

Trunk House is a small cabin set in a beautiful forest. The brief included a living area, small kitchen, bathroom and two bedrooms. The owners love the isolation of the forest, and the closeness of the birdlife.

DETAIL

The owners were interested in the forms of bleached bones of kangaroos and sheep found lying around on farmland. This idea developed into utilising tree forks or bifurcations as the structure for the cabin. The design sought to achieve an almost transparent relationship with



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The bifurcations would otherwise be lying around on farmland. Some bifurcations were taken (under licence) from national parks. This timber would otherwise be unused, or may even be classed as ground fuel.

The lining boards were milled and cured on site, and then fixed internally. This resulted in a minimal carbon footprint.

WHY DID YOU CHOOSE WOOD?

There was a need to ensure seamless transition from the forest to the build. Wood seemed to be the most natural way of achieving this.

