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## WD: Winning designs

At the recent 2013, 18th annual Building Design Awards of Victoria, the worthy winners of these prestigious building awards shows yet again the diverse talents of BDAV members. Featuring a wide range of budgets and types of structures. Livos is very proud to have been featured in three of the winning designs.

Winner for the Building Design of the year 2013- was Rose of South Yarra by Wilson ID Pty Ltd.

Winner for the best environmental sustainable design - residential, was Nunawading by Maxa Design PTY LTD.

Winner of best efficient design- residential, was Campbells Creek House by Life House ( also featured in Sanctuary Magazine).



## New Voc paint

The new, no VOC paint Dubron #412 is receiving rave reviews. One of the many pluses is it is easy to apply, making application a breeze. Some very happy clients completed their own paint work with terrific results. They used the may green and crème Ura pigments in the Dubron as well as the Vindo gloss on the doors and trims. It certainly has brightened up the room and given them great comfort knowing that it is a natural and safe finish for the playing and sleeping area for their little one to enjoy.



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## Differences between Kunos and Ardvos

The Kunos range is our premium product, it is available in clear as well as stains (for example, the white can maintain a timber at its original sanded look, without yellowing). Kunos also has more waxes and resin (is water repellent quicker) than the Ardvos. Kunos is also certified food safe, so can be used with confidence on kitchen bench tops and chopping boards etc that come in direct contact with food. With an added bonus of the Kunos countertop being heat resistant to 50° C.

As the Kunos sits closer to the surface, it is recommended on particular timbers such as veneer panels. While the Ardvos is a deeper penetrating oil and although we have had no reactions with the glues used in panelling in Australia it is perhaps best avoided, or at least tested prior on a sample piece. As the Ardvos reaches deeper into the timber it also deepens the colour of the timber more so than the Kunos.

Another comparison would be price. The Ardvos is more economical per container however the Kunos has a better coverage rate...so this differentiation is reduced.



## New distributor in Beechworth

We are excited to welcome Narelle Haw, Building Biologist who believes our homes need to nurture and support us, be our sanctuary and enhance our overall health and wellbeing. Our homes should definitely not harm us in any way!

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## Sanctuary Issue 23

We are proud to see so many featured homes using the Livos Products on various surfaces.

"Sydney infill" With a limited space to build a light filled and compact 2 storey inner urban home in Glebe, Sydney this clever design makes the most of it. Livos oils used on EO plywood joinery. Page 43

"At Home in the Sun" an 8 star house delights in the abundant light of the Sunshine Coast, delivering shelter to a family committed to living sustainably. Using Kunos on their floors, countertop on their kitchen benchtop and Alis decking oil outside. Page 64.



## Sanctuary Issue 24

"The simple life", The oared back design of this modular home promotes sustainability, simplicity and liveability. The Life House design team have developed this wonderful prototype and created their own peaceful home. Livos Kunos was used on the concrete slab and plywood ceiling, while Alis was used on external cladding, windows and doors Page 28

Judy-Ann has a weekly show:  
**Judy-Ann & Company on air**  
**97.1FM Thursdays 9 till 11a.m**

You can also listen to the program  
 online: [3mdr.com](http://3mdr.com)

As a 'Current Affair' and chat type program Judy-Ann interviews people - often controversial, on local and international issues, reviews theatre and restaurants interspersed with music.

[Click here to listen to the 3MDR live webstream!](http://www.3mdr.com/program/blog/4013/Judy-Ann-%26-Company/Judy-Ann-%26-Company-18th-July-2013/)

## Angela on the radio!

It's amazing the variety of people you can meet at an expo. This year at the Build and Renovate expo Angela met journalist Judy-Ann, who was so thrilled to discover the unique Livos products that she invited Angela to be interviewed on her radio program. Recorded on 18/7/13 if you would like to have a listen it can be found here

<http://www.3mdr.com/program/blog/4013/Judy-Ann-%26-Company/Judy-Ann-%26-Company-18th-July-2013/>

at 1.26 mark to 1.36



## Grand Designs Expo 2013

Livos is again proud to be involved in the Grand Designs Expo for 2013. A home show like no other! Visit us at the Melbourne Convention & Exhibition Centre at Stand L 45 October 25th to 27th.

Look out for details of Angela's sessions on the stage



## Sustainable House Day 8th Sept.

Sustainable House Day, Sunday 8th September will be celebrating its 12th year. The event will continue to showcase some of Australia's most sustainable homes to the public as millions of Australians continue to embrace renewable energy, recycling, and other practices suitable to their lifestyles. We know many of our clients participate in this great event and information regarding homes in your area is available at

[www.sustainablehouseday.com](http://www.sustainablehouseday.com)

<http://www.sustainablehouseday.com/>



## Spring draw

We are excited to continue our seasonal draws- this is a fun way to give back to those who support the beliefs and ethics of Livos and our natural plant based alternatives. While many companies offer draws at expo and shows this is often our first contact. However we always value the support shown by clients, therefore we have a number of ways to ensure everyone can enter. You can like us on [facebook](#), join our [newsletter list](#), [fill in form at an expo or showroom](#) or [pass on a small quote relating to your feedback](#) with the products or our service. The prize this time will be a selection of cleaning products to help out your spring clean, whereby the winner will take home a variety of popular cleaning products valued at \$200rrp.



## ATFA magazine

### Kitchen floor nourished by Livos

The Agripen Kitchen is a sustainable farm-based cooking school situated in a 19th century schoolhouse at Lashlan, 45 minutes from Hobart in Tasmania's Denver Valley, Australia. It was established by Rodney Dunn and his wife Séverine, who moved from Sydney to Tasmania in July 2007 to transform the schoolhouse into Tasmania's first hands-on, farm-based cooking school. Cooking classes commenced in January 2008.

With the large number of students through the doors since its opening, the floor needed rejuvenation. It looked slightly dry and had some oil stains as one would expect in a commercial kitchen. However, it was still in a relatively good condition.

Due to the extreme wear and tear of this floor, and to remove the oil stains, Livos

Australia decided on using a 120 g/l screen back over the surface (either than a mason pad (light abrasive) as would normally be used.

Since the floor was to be re-oiled, the oil stains did not need complete removal. After a gentle buff with the screen back, the floor was saturated with oil again, left on for 20 minutes, then wiped off.

Livos oils have been very successfully used on the Agripen Kitchen in Tasmania, providing a real life, practical confirmation of how hard wearing and easy to maintain natural, healthy oils are under the harsher conditions of public or commercial buildings.

The oil used was from the Livos Karoo range, which is ideal for hardwood timbers such as the Agripen Kitchen's Tasmanian oak floor. With a high rate of wear and resin it

gives a glowing sheen with a natural warmth and feel when finished.

The Karoo oils are certified food safe so can be used with confidence on kitchen bench tops and chopping boards etc that come in direct contact with food. While a clear oil was used in the kitchen, this product is also available in a range of stains to suit timbers and personal preferences.

Livos oils are all based on natural, plant based ingredients, which are biologically degradable, sustainable and are harmless, even in direct contact with humans, animals and plants. They are a practical alternative to conventional chemical based products without bringing dangerous and unnecessary toxins into the home or workplace.

Livos prides itself on full transparency with all



products offering a full 100% ingredient listing so that the client can make a fully informed choice that suits their needs.

Overall, Livos Australia is committed to making homes, workplaces and the environment healthier and safer for everyone and minimising people's exposure to harmful toxins found in traditional synthetic paints and finishes without compromising quality or durability. ■

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## Babies rooms article

Living safe website featured a great article about helping keep babies in a healthy environment.

- <http://www.livingsafe.com.au/babies-children/223-keeping-baby-s-room-safe-healthy-toxic-free>



## Updated msds information

Livos Australia works hard to maintain that all the information on our website is current and the latest version possible. However with such a wide variety of products lapses can occur. So if at any time you find something that does not appear to be up to date please we would love to hear from you so do not hesitate to let us know and we will address it as soon as possible.



## Keep your fruit for longer

Want to keep your fruit for longer have a look at BluApple. You can extend the useful storage life of your produce up to three times longer. The BluApple is a simple way to avoid having to deal with over ripe or spoilt fruit and vegetables.

for more information visit :

<http://www.organicorigins.com.au/search/?q=bluapples>



## Our friends at Organature

If you are in Melbourne, two interesting expos that our friends at Organature are heading to are the Sustain expo on the 19th – 20th October at the Royal Exhibition Building Carlton in Melbourne. Previously, it was called the Organic expo. As well as the Pregnancy baby & children expo Friday 25th – Sunday 27th at The Melbourne Exhibition Centre, South Wharf .

They will be show casing their beautiful hardwood timber cots, organic bed linen and much more.

Obtain their information regarding toxic chemicals, fumigation and MDF or for more information visit

[www.organature.com.au](http://www.organature.com.au)

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