

a sub - urban house in a village setting

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The house is located at Embuldeniya Nugegoda in a fast developing residential neighborhood. The extent of the land is 13 perches and it is sloping towards the rear boundary. The surrounding environment of the area is still in a village setting with considerable greenery in the vicinity.

This was designed for a Professional with a small family of three members. The client has a very busy life style spending most of the day away from the family, engaged in professional works.

He required a house, which has close intimacy with his family members and a strong exterior look with an introverted character. These specific aspects were taken in to consideration as a primary objective in design of spaces and the three dimensional composition of entire design.

Though the site in a 13 perch block, the house is built on 6.5 perches of land leaving the other half for future usage. In considering the natural terrain of the site, ground floor has been designed in split levels creating a rear space as a garden facing the living, dining and





service areas. Office room and garage were taken in to the front side considering the easy access from the road, which is at a higher level. The upper floor has 3 bedrooms including the master bedroom and a small family area.

The double height space above the living area connecting the two levels of the house and the open plan with half walls in the interior spaces providing natural light and effective cross ventilation through the house, makes the client's dream a reality.

Cement rendered floors, exposed rubble surfaces and rough textured walls painted in earth colors create a sculptural effect to the house. The single pitched roof with the exposed rafters, timber ceiling conjures a simple light weight feeling above the sculptural walls. The doors and windows painted in black reduce its presence thus framing the view of surrounding greenery ●



