



STEPPING STONES
Stone and/or wood circle stepping stones provide ambulatory challenge, with groundcovers between.

SWING PLATFORM
Timber platform hanging from the Oak tree provides a dynamic element for casual seating and play. Tether to limit movement

RAMP ACCESS
Ramp provides DDA compliant access.

SAND PIT
Multi-level sand play area, grading the natural slope, with large rock as edging.

TIMBER SCREEN
Visual screen of brush or timber with opportunity for hanging sound elements or sand play tools.

WATER PLAY TABLE
Small table/spout for water play to create a waterplay path with sand and pebbles embedded in the concrete.

Playspace

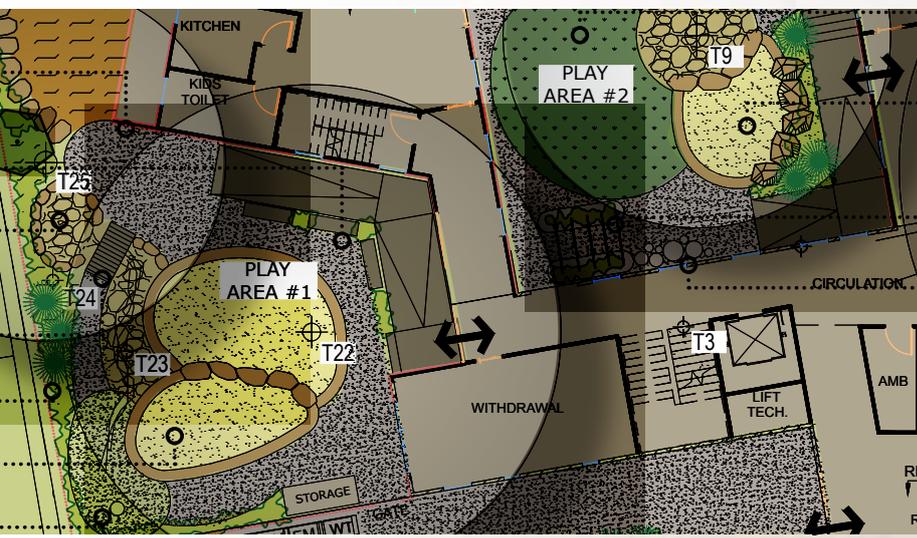
Proposed childcare centre utilises existing trees



Tree Tunnel



Nature-based play structure



Swing seat / platform

Project Specs

- Client:** Mg Commercial / Rauhaus Design
- Location:** Mt Eliza, Victoria
- Date:** 2017
- Budget:** TBC

Our Approach

Existing trees can be an asset - they provide shade, beauty and a sense that the buildings and new landscaping nestle into their existing context.

This project was blessed with a number of beautiful English Oak, Spotted Gum and Lemon-scented Gum trees, and through careful design these trees were protected and retained. The new building, though large, does not seem overpowering because it sits within the leafy bower of the existing tree canopies.

The play spaces also take advantage of the shady spaces created by the existing trees, with woodland-themed elements including a palm-tree grove, generous wood-mulched open spaces, story circles created by simple wood logs and rocks, and cubby houses set into the greenery.

A swinging platform seat hanging from a stout Oak tree branch will provide a place for outdoor picnics, play and performance.

Large, multi-level sandpit areas and creek-beds lined with rounded river rocks and pebbles ensure that there is ample opportunity for children to play with loose materials.



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