

CASE STUDY

WELCOMING AUCKLANDERS TO THE WATERFRONT

Our new car handling building is focused on saving space, and the harbour, while also providing public art and an exciting new community park.

We listened to the people of Auckland and our customers to come up with a new solution for car handling on the port. Aucklanders love their cars, with large volumes coming into the city each month. While vehicle importers need room to manage the transportation of these vehicles off the port, Aucklanders want a better-looking waterfront with more public space. Our new car handling building addresses these two potentially conflicting needs.

Efficient car handling

On the inside, the Tardis-like structure is specially designed with ramps to every floor to quickly swallow up cars as they come off ships. They are then held out of sight for a day or two until they can be taken away for storage elsewhere in Auckland. This innovative new building will be fully operational in October 2020.

The hanging gardens of Auckland

On the outside, the building is a work of art, featuring a hanging garden and over 8,000 LED lights, creating the opportunity

for community-led art. The garden is the world's largest soil-based vertical garden, planted with 3,800 plants of 30 different species, 75% of which are New Zealand natives. The unique garden system was invented in New Zealand and was manufactured as part of a Department of Corrections prisoner rehabilitation programme, providing opportunities for prisoners to earn industry-related skills and qualifications.

Community space for Aucklanders

But maybe the most exciting part of the building is still to come. We are designing a rooftop waterfront park, where Aucklanders can enjoy waterfront green space. This will be another world first, integrating the working port with the city, and giving the public a great platform for viewing the Waitematā. We have started engaging with the community on the design and look forward to delivering a space our community can enjoy, complete with green space, dining and exercise areas.





Draft design shown, final design may change.

Welcoming Aucklanders to **art, gardens** and **parks** on the waterfront

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