

WEST VILLAGE  
BRISBANE

# COMMUNITY

HERITAGE  
SUSTAINABILITY

*A guide to West Village*



### ABOUT WEST VILLAGE

West Village is a multi-stage, master-planned community. West Village's developer, Sekisui House Australia, has a strong commitment to building communities which support and promote environmental sustainability.

### SIX STAR GREEN STAR COMMUNITY

West Village is a Six Star Green Star Community. This is Australia's highest rating for a master-planned precinct and promotes practices which are sustainable and environmentally friendly. The information contained in this document has been developed in consultation with a Green Star accredited professional.

### SUSTAINABLE PACKAGING

West Village dining outlets are encouraged to use take away packaging which can be composted or recycled. The precinct has separate bins for landfill waste and recyclable waste.



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# Welcome to West Village

COMMUNITY, HERITAGE AND SUSTAINABILITY ARE AT THE HEART OF WEST VILLAGE. USE THIS GUIDE TO MAKE THE MOST OF THE ACTIVITIES, FACILITIES AND SERVICES ON OFFER.

FREE WIFI AVAILABLE

### SUSTAINABLE FOOD AND GROCERY SHOPPING

Inside the fresh food and grocery stores at West Village you will see less plastic packaging; and collection bins to recycle items such as batteries, coffee pods, soft plastics and mobile phones. The shopping trolleys and baskets are made from recycled plastic bottles. You can even choose imperfect fruit and vegetables which don't look perfect but still taste great.

### HERITAGE AND SUSTAINABILITY TRAIL

The heritage markers on this trail celebrate the history of the West Village site with the restored 1928 Peters Ice Cream Factory at its heart. The sustainability markers on this trail highlight what is in place at West Village to support sustainable practices.





**1 LIGHTGARDEN BY LUXXBOX**

The LightGarden by Luxxbox glows every night with more than 2,500 LED lights inspired by native reeds. The LED lights used in public spaces at West Village use 80 percent less energy than traditional incandescent lights.

**2 DOGGY FRIENDS**

The Common has a doggy water station and garden paths to explore. Dogs are welcome in West Village's outdoor spaces but not inside the shopping centre.

**3 GREEN SPACES**

In an urban environment like Brisbane, a "heat island" can be created when materials such as bitumen and concrete absorb and hold the sun's heat rather than reflect it. To counteract the heat island effect at West Village, around half the site plan is covered with materials which reflect heat, water features or green spaces. Around 100 mature trees and more than 10,000 plants are growing at West Village.



**4 LIVING HISTORY**

The 1928 Peters Ice Cream Factory and 1929 Cone Factory are at the historic heart of West Village. These buildings have been carefully restored and are welcoming people inside as the home of retail stores

and local businesses. To learn more about the history of the West Village site, look for the Heritage and Sustainability Trail markers throughout the precinct.



**5 WATER PLAY & SENSORY GARDENS**

Enjoy splashing in the water play garden near Boundary Street. The water jets use clean recirculated water treated by our on-site water treatment system. The sensory gardens have a mix of plants to appeal to your senses. Throughout West Village you'll find herbs for tasting and smelling; textured plants for touching; flowers for seeing and smelling; and coloured foliage to create a living green artwork.

**6 METRO ARTS**

Brisbane's iconic Metro Arts relocated to West Village in September 2020. The cultural and arts precinct features an underground theatre, two galleries, two rehearsal rooms and the Factory Lane outdoor space with a foyer, box office, café and bar. To learn about upcoming shows and exhibitions visit [metroarts.com.au](http://metroarts.com.au)

**7 BEES & BIODIVERSITY**

West Village is home to hives of Australian native stingless bees and European honey bees. These bee populations help to support biodiversity in the urban environment. West Village partners with Bee One Third to care for our bee population and harvest our special local honey. [westvillage.com.au/village-bees](http://westvillage.com.au/village-bees)

**8 BIRDWING BUTTERFLY VINE**

The Birdwing Butterfly Vine is grown in several locations at West Village. This vine is the natural food source for the Richmond Birdwing Butterfly which is the largest sub-tropical Australian butterfly. Growing the vines could help to support the population of this vulnerable butterfly species.

**9 WHAT'S ON**

West Village is always buzzing with activity! Regular events include the Brisbane Ice Cream Festival, concerts, fashion shows, theatre performances, markets and sustainability workshops. To stay up to date follow West Village on Facebook or visit [westvillage.com.au/whatson](http://westvillage.com.au/whatson)



**10 FOOD WASTE & RECYCLING**

Collecting food waste and unsold edible food at West Village means that most of the food waste from the precinct (up to 85 percent) gets reused or composted. This is better for the environment than sending food waste to landfill where it breaks down and emits gases such as carbon dioxide and methane which contribute to climate change.

pulping system. This system converts organic materials into soils and fertilizers. **OzHarvest** At West Village the unsold edible food from Woolworths and Harris Farm Markets is collected by OzHarvest and used to provide free meals to vulnerable people in the community.

To learn more visit [westvillage.com.au/sustainability](http://westvillage.com.au/sustainability)



**11 CREATIVE KIDS**

Children of all ages are invited to join the free creative activities organised at the West Village Hut, from 9am-11am Monday to Friday. Details at [westvillage.com.au/whats-on/creative-kids/](http://westvillage.com.au/whats-on/creative-kids/)

**12 END OF TRIP FACILITY** West Village's End of Trip facility provides showers, lockers and secure bike parking for tenants and staff. For details email [info@westvillage.com.au](mailto:info@westvillage.com.au)

**13 GOGET CAR SHARE** GoGet car share is available at West Village. GoGet members can hire a car for errands, meetings or leisure activities without the costs of car ownership. Each GoGet car reduces the number of private cars in a local area by 10. [goget.com.au](http://goget.com.au)



**15 WEST VILLAGE GARDENER**

We love plants at West Village! The on site gardening team holds regular community gardening workshops. Topics include how to grow plants indoors and on balconies, and how to grow herbs and vegetables. Visit our YouTube channel for online gardening guides.

**17 ROOFTOP GARDEN** The residents' rooftop garden at Park Residences includes mature trees, tropical planting and a herb garden. This outdoor space helps to cool the rooftop and provides shaded areas for dining and relaxing.

**18 SOLAR POWER** West Village generates some of its own energy from the sun! A 23.5 kW solar power system on the roof of The Eaves building near The Common provides some of the power to light our public spaces. Solar panels on residential buildings provide power to shared building services. One hundred percent of the electricity supplied to West Village through our embedded network is carbon offset.

**10 GREY WATER TREATMENT** West Village has a grey water treatment plant on site. Grey water retained from the laundries and showers in two residential buildings is treated then used to irrigate the precinct's gardens, and to flush toilets in the retail centre.



**19 COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES** There are wonderful volunteer residents at West Village who support our community, by organising the art group, book club, travel club, gardening club and running club. If you are a West Village resident who wants to get involved or start your own group, contact [info@westvillage.com.au](mailto:info@westvillage.com.au).



**20 BIKE PARKING** A bike rack with a repair station is located in Wilson Lane and there are other bike racks in The Common and Mollison Park. Please be aware that West Village is not responsible for the security of your bike within the precinct. Make sure you always secure your bike with a high quality lock.



**14 THE COMMON**

The Common is home to community events such as the Brisbane Ice Cream Festival, concerts, markets and sustainability workshops. In 1928 this space was a gated garden forecourt to the Peters Ice Cream Factory. The factory's workers were proud of the award-winning rose garden. In the 1970s a brick building was built on the garden site. Now the re-opened space provides a wonderful view of the Ice Cream Factory's heritage façade.