# Green Star at Bowden



Bowden is a new generation development leading the way with many ground breaking initiatives including energy reduction through passive and active measures for buildings. Green Star is a world's best practice rating tool from the Green Building Council of Australia. Green Star covers a broad range of well-tested sustainability issues and is continually updated to ensure that the highest level of environmental performance is always achieved.

## What are the Green Star Categories?

Green Star uses a number of categories to assess the environmental impact of a project's site selection, design, construction and maintenance. The nine categories are:

- Management
- Energy
- Water
- Land Use & Ecology
- Innovation

- Indoor Environment Quality
- Transport
- Materials
- Emissions

## What benefits does Green Star bring to Bowden?

**Lower operating costs** through energy and water efficiency. End purchasers enjoy these same benefits, giving your project greater market appeal.

A healthier place to live and work with buildings gaining high levels of natural airflow and sunlight, resulting in more comfortable and productive places to live and work.

**Demonstration of corporate social responsibility** enhances your company's development reputation and positioning as a leader.

**A solid investment** as sustainable development becomes increasingly important, staying ahead of the trend and setting nationally recognised benchmarks will ensure that purchasing at Bowden is a solid investment for years to come.

# **How will buildings in Bowden achieve a Green Star rating?**

All developments within Bowden must adopt the Green Star rating accreditation tool. As detailed in Renewal SA's Urban Design Guidelines for Bowden, all developments will be required to achieve a minimum 5 Star Green Star Design and As Built rating to achieve encumbrance compliance. A 5 Star Green Star Certified Rating will signify 'Australian Excellence' in environmentally sustainable design and/or construction.

To achieve this rating, Renewal SA will provide advice to purchasers to assist with Green Star certification. These include, but are not limited to a template application and checklist for developers/builders and designers that describes the Renewal SA initiatives such as provision of recycled water and connections to transport which may contribute to Green Star credits.

### **Green Star Communities**

Bowden has achieved a 6 Star Green Star Communities rating indicating world leadership across a range of attributes in its planning, design, and construction. Green Star Communities assesses projects against a holistic set of distinct social, environmental, and economic categories and an innovation category. Bowden achieved the rating because of strong community and stakeholder engagement during planning and delivery, high quality design requirements throughout the buildings and public realm, and great community development initiatives. The rating shows Bowden is a healthy, safe, affordable, well connected, technically advanced and environmentally sustainable place to live.

For more information about Green Star or to find out more about development opportunities at Bowden, please visit our website at life **more** interesting.com.au





