



CATEGORY

AUSTRALIAN STONE

- BEST COMMERCIAL PROJECT -

**PROJECT:**

The Vibe Hotel & Conference Centre,  
Marysville, Victoria

**ARCHITECT:**

Metier3 Architects

**CONSTRUCTION:**

H Troon Pty Ltd., Ballarat, Victoria

**STONE SUPPLY:**

Australian Slate & Stone, Victoria

**STONE INSTALLATION:**

Hedger Construction

**STONE DESCRIPTION:**

Kanmantoo bluestone

## Stone accentuates the vibe

The bush fires that occurred on Black Saturday had a devastating effect on Marysville and the local community. Approximately 90 per cent of the town's building stock was destroyed and the main street was riddled with empty sites.

Metier3 Architects, Melbourne sought to partially alleviate the effects of this tragedy with their stimulating design of the new Vibe Hotel & Conference Centre located in this charming alpine village.

Construction of the \$28 million project commenced in May 2013 and concluded in February 2015.

Australian Slate & Stone supplied a significant quantity of Kanmantoo bluestone, natural split rockface

materials, in small to medium formats coupled with some larger units. The stone was processed to provide 75 mm thickness facings, which were adhered to the exterior of the building.

Kanmantoo bluestone is quarried in the Adelaide Hills; the product is durable and fire resistant.

Over 90 per cent of the Vibe's employees live locally. Since its opening, the Vibe has attracted more than 4000 guests and over 1300 delegates have attended conferences.

Kanmantoo bluestone has a variety of commercial and residential applications, which include paving, walling, steps, slabs, garden features and the featured cladding.

