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Limestone in the Public Realm

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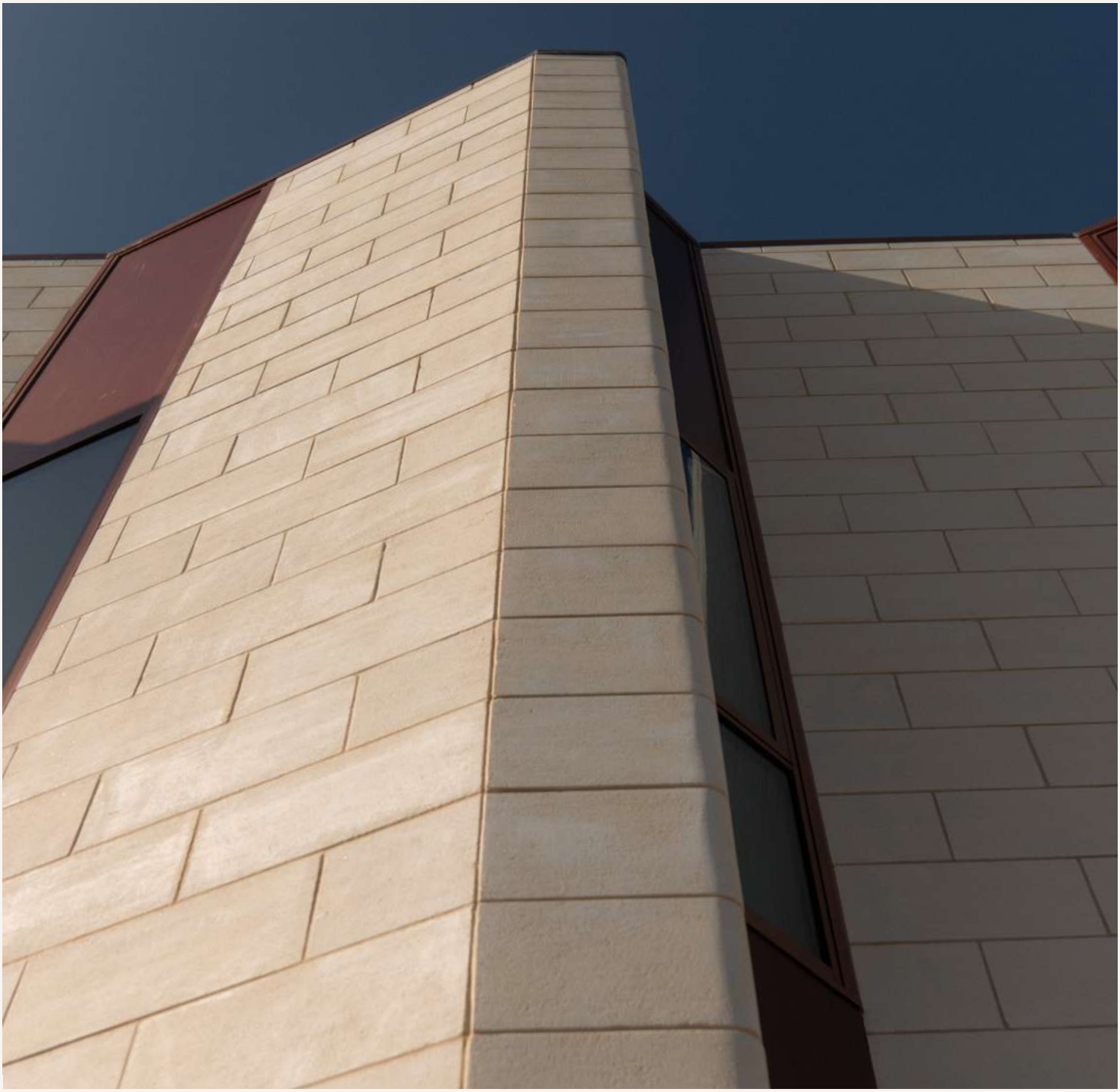


Bruhn Mount Gambier Limestone has built its reputation into residential architecture over eight decades. Increasingly, it is the material of choice for the public buildings and civic spaces that define a region.

Its natural thermal mass, acoustic density and low embodied carbon make it well-suited to the demands of public and commercial projects where long-term performance, sustainability credentials and civic permanence matter as much as aesthetics.

Bruhn Limestone is locally quarried and manufactured in South Australia, reducing transport emissions and supporting the regional economy. As a natural, minimally processed material, it carries a fraction of the embodied carbon of conventional commercial facade alternatives.

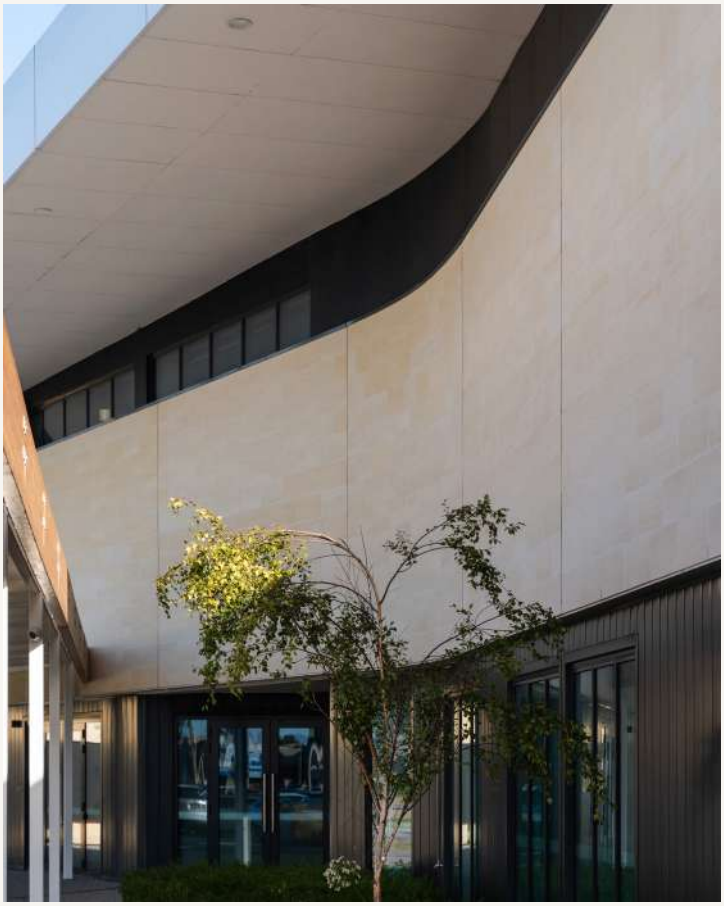
The two projects featured in this brochure represent Bruhn Limestone at civic scale. One a landmark recreation and convention centre that has become the heart of community life in Mount Gambier, the other a $38.5 million technical college currently under construction that will serve the Limestone Coast for generations.

Both showcase limestone's capacity to anchor public architecture in place, material and identity and to do so with the quiet permanence that only natural stone delivers.

Why limestone for commercial projects?

- FRL 120/120/120 fire resistance rating
- Superior acoustic mass, limestone outperforms aluminium and lightweight systems
- Up to 63% lower upfront carbon vs. aluminium cladding
- 3× the thermal performance of standard brick
- Locally quarried in SA = Reduced transport emissions
- Durable, low-maintenance — designed for 60+ year building lifecycles

Image, next page: Wulanda Recreation & Convention Centre



Mount Gambier, South Australia · Opened December 2022

Wulanda Recreation & Convention Centre

Designed by DesignInc Adelaide, the building's sweeping form and gentle curves are inspired by the geological formations and volcanic landscape of Mount Gambier. Limestone sinkholes and ancient events that define the region's character are expressed in the building's massing and materiality.

Timber and limestone, both symbols of the Limestone Coast, are used extensively throughout the building, creating a material palette that pays homage to the surrounding locality.

Wulanda received the 2023 AIA SA Award for Public Architecture and a Commendation for Sustainable Architecture.

Limestone on the facade.

Material & Place

The decision to use local limestone on Wulanda's facade was both architectural and cultural. The stone grounds the building in its landscape, acknowledging the geology that has defined the Mount Gambier region for thousands of years.

Alongside Tasmanian Oak, Sculptform wall panelling, and Spotted Gum, limestone creates a material palette that pays homage to the surrounding locality and the natural resources of the Limestone Coast.

Performance at Scale

At civic scale, limestone's performance credentials become as important as its appearance. The thermal mass of the stone assists in moderating the building's internal environment, reducing the energy demand of a facility that operates year-round.

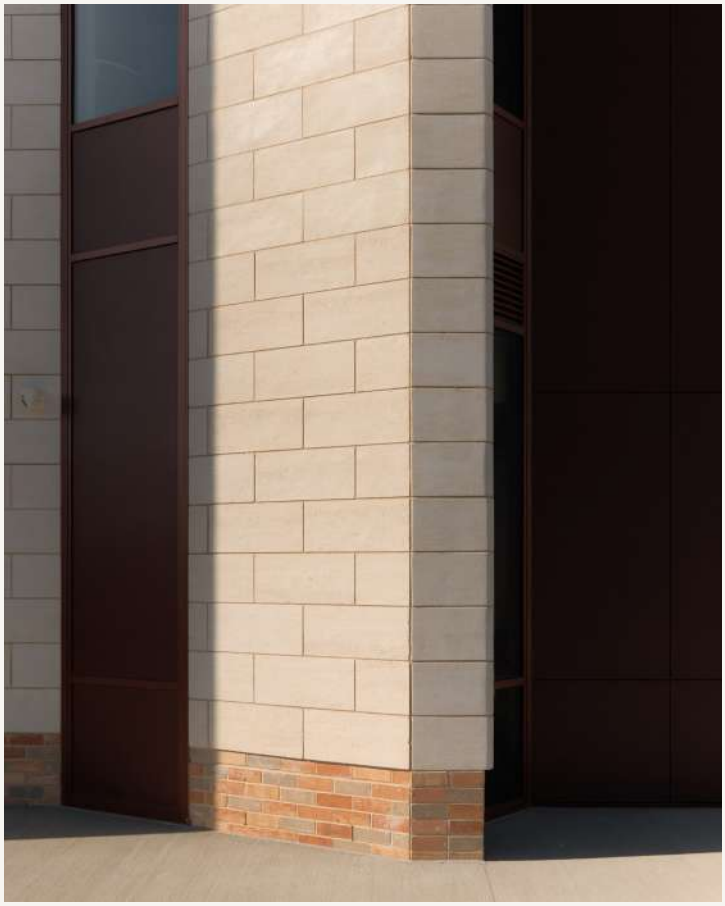
Image, next page: Wulanda Recreation & Convention Centre. Bruhn Mount Gambier limestone forms the primary exterior cladding, grounding the building in the materiality of the region.

Mount Gambier, South Australia · Opened February 2026

Limestone Coast Technical College

Designed by Russell & Yelland, the building's superstructure consists of locally sourced CLT and GLT (cross-laminated and glue-laminated timber), combined with local limestone block cladding. Exposed ceilings showcase the building's structural bones, in keeping with its function as a technical college where craft and construction are part of the curriculum.

The college is part of the Research, Education and Training Precinct on Wireless Road West, co-located with TAFE SA and UniSA Mount Gambier.



Locally sourced Mount Gambier limestone block cladding applied to the CLT superstructure. Both products of the Limestone Coast, combine to root the building in its region.

A Regional Material

The use of Mt Gambier limestone on the Limestone Coast Technical College is both a practical and symbolic choice. As a material quarried within the region it serves, it reflects the college's deep connection to local industry and the natural landscape.

The pairing of limestone cladding with a CLT superstructure represents a considered approach to material selection, two locally sourced, low-carbon materials working together in a building designed to last.

Built to Last

The college is designed as a long-term piece of community infrastructure. Limestone's durability, low maintenance demands, and natural resistance to fire and sound make it well-matched to an education facility that will see decades of intensive use.

Its exposed block construction celebrates the materiality of the building, making the stone itself part of the educational experience, a fitting choice for a college where craft and construction are core to the curriculum.

The same stone that defines both Wulanda and the Limestone Coast Technical College is available for specification on your next commercial project. Supplied direct from quarry to site.

Commercial Veneer Cladding

The standard commercial facade system. 50 mm limestone veneer on subframe, achieving R2.66 total thermal performance. 63% lower embodied carbon than aluminium cladding.

Moulds and Oversized Profiles

From refined wall bands and architraves to oversized circular and square columns, custom profiles are produced to suit each project, shaped through close collaboration with architects, engineers, builders and developers.

Single Ashlar Block

Single-block systems with 660 mm x 290 mm x 100 mm offer flexibility when working with educational, civic or government projects that require a specific specification or a technical lining to the interior.

Double Ashlar Block

Double-block systems with 2 /660 mm x 290 mm x 100 mm achieve Rw 96 dB acoustic performance. FRL120/120/120 fire resistance. Ideal for loadbearing and non-loadbearing external walls.

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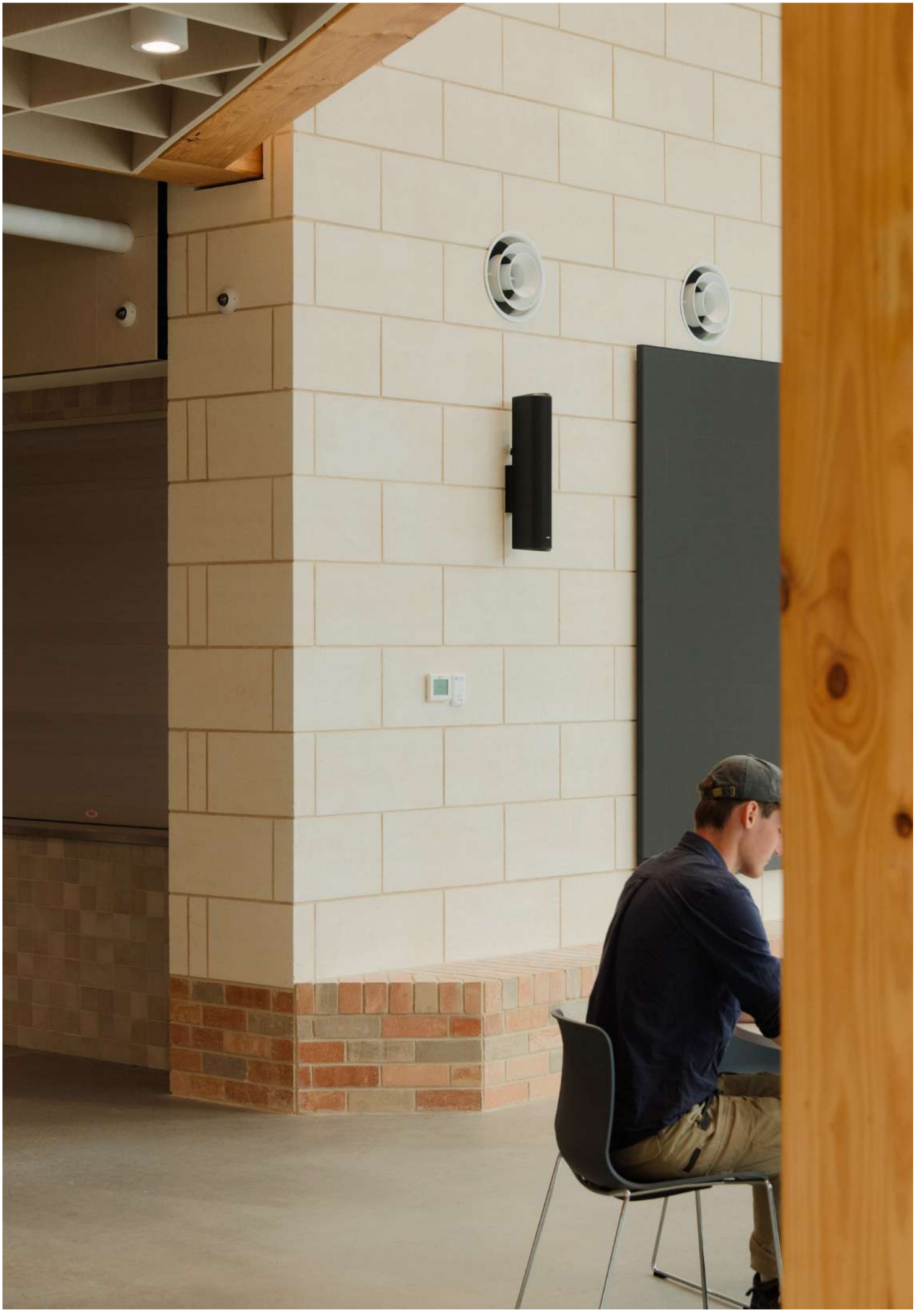

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Both projects featured in this brochure used Bruhn Mount Gambier limestone supplied direct from our quarry at the Marte deposits, 10 km west of Mount Gambier, South Australia.