

# Maurice DEL VECCHIO AKA 'MOZ THE BUILDER'

OUR eyes weren't only on the contestants on this year's *The Block Glasshouse* – there was a certain cheeky Torquay builder who also quickly caught our attention.

With a combination of hilarity, passion and expert craftsmanship, Maurice Del Vecchio – who was quickly dubbed “Moz The Builder” by his team Shannon and Simon Vos – was a key player in steering the boys to victory on the Channel 9 reality renovation show.

We watched on as the trio shared in many laughs throughout the three-month stint, including the constant comparisons of Moz to TV landscaping guru Jamie Durie.

“I copped a heap for that on the show – they gave me a good ribbing, that's for sure,” Moz says, laughing.

But the personal highlight of the experience for Moz has nothing to do with riches or fame – it was helping the duo start good lives for themselves.

“In the production room after the auction we were all in tears – it was very emotional – but the biggest moment was when the boys' father

gave me a hug and told me that he was so thankful to me for helping kickstart his sons' lives,” he explains.

“And it's not just for the guys – one is married and one is engaged so it's about creating a good life for their family, too.

“I feel honoured to have been involved and never thought I'd ever be a part of anything this big.”

Next year will bring a fresh set of adventures and challenges for Moz.

In April he will jet off to Indonesia with Shannon and Simon for a boys' surfing trip, he'll focus on creating his new concrete pots range Concrete Crush with his cousin and his cousin's wife, and he'll get to work on what he does best with a new home build planned in his local Torquay.

“I've got to say that I'm most looking forward to the surfing trip, but all-in-all it should be another great year,” he says.

“It will be hard to top 2014 though – this year has been filled with achievements that I'll never forget in my life.”

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