Next to a block of suburban homes is an inconspicuous-looking garage door ...

"Welcome to my home.

Come in."

Inside is a bright, seemingly never-ending room without dividing walls and enclosed by

exposed concrete.

And no one can see in from the outside - an important factor for Alexander Gebhardt.

"At the moment I'm working an awful lot.

So when I come home, I want to come home to somewhere with a red wine feeling.

You should be able to come in and feel relaxed.

It's somewhere for all the different pleasures in life."

A few steps up, there's the kitchen area.

The work space looks like a DJ's workplace.

"That was the idea, and that's the inspiration for the project name.

CJ5 rather than DJ -- from "cooking J".

And since I really like cooking and cook very elaborately when I have guests, I wanted to

be able to keep communicating with my guests.

So I got the idea of building it into the landing."

Every single corner here is utilized.

"We set out to create optimum functionality in a minimal space.

You pull that up, push it in and you have more or less everything you need.

A

little higher up, there's a bedroom with a small ensuite bathroom.

The bathtub has been sunk into the floor to save space.

The owner loves the view from up here.

"I've got a few special things that you don't notice.

The windows behind me are built in such a way that when they're open the sun shines

directly on to my bed in the morning.

I wake up bathed in sunlight."

From the bedroom, a corridor leads on to a terrace.

The roof of his low-energy house is equipped with solar panels.

There's also plenty of space to relax outdoors.

"I treated myself to an outdoor shower, too.

It's connected to warm water, so I can shower there once temperatures rise to 14 degrees

((Celcius)).

The architecture means that I can sunbathe in the nude and then shower afterwards.

It's very handy."

The atrium can also be covered, if required.

The house is very versatile and has over 150 square metres of living space -- although

it's only five metres wide.

The cellar doubles as a private cinema and party venue -- Alexander Gebhardt has thrown

quite a few parties here -- and has already had to replace the white carpet.

The CJ5 on the edge of Vienna.

Outside, it keeps a low profile.

But inside it's both elegant and practical.