



PETER GLASS & ASSOCIATES,  
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WATERFRONT ELEGANCE

The lines between poolscape and landscape blur in this modern Mosman property, care of renowned design firm Peter Glass & Associates

The initial brief was simple: the owners of this exceptional waterfront property on Sydney’s lower north shore wanted to renovate their existing ‘tired’ pool and landscape areas to create a truly spectacular swimming pool and outdoor entertaining area. This included a self-contained pool cabana to maximise the usable space on this challenging sloping site.

Deciding that their project was far too important to take any chances with, the owners engaged Peter Glass & Associates, Australia’s longest established and most specialised firm of landscape architects and swimming pool designers.

This exciting project saw Peter Glass & Associates work in collaboration with Timothy Moon Architects, who were working on the house renovations.

The decision was made to retain and extensively renovate the existing pool, rather than demolish it, as the structure was sound, the location and orientation of the pool had

great potential and substantial cost savings could be achieved.

The shape of the existing pool was refined, with the southern edge being transformed into a sweeping curve to allow the pool water to spill over into the newly added balance tank located several metres below. This provided a seamless connection between the pool and the harbour beyond.

An elegant, well-appointed pool cabana, nestled back into the natural slope of the site, was incorporated to provide the perfect place for entertaining, relaxing and shelter from the elements. The detailing of the cabana is contemporary, whilst still continuing the luxurious feel of the main residence.

The surrounding garden areas, which were previously rather barren and unusable, have been rehabilitated and formalised by a combination of terraces, steps and retaining walls, creating a beautiful landscape setting for the adjacent pool and entertaining areas. The careful re-design of the existing levels

enabled the incorporation of generous level lawn areas, accented by garden beds with native plants such as kangaroo paw, rock orchids and grass trees.

A weed eradication program was carried out with extreme care taken during both the design and construction processes to ensure that the dramatic natural rock outcrops and remnant native vegetation on the site were retained and highlighted as features.

Peter Glass & Associates have refined their expertise in the design of high quality, award-winning swimming pools and landscapes over 30 years, and are now recognised as Australia’s leading landscape architectural and swimming pool design practice.

The talents of the multi-award-winning Peter Glass and Associates team have featured in a wide range of national and international publications, as well as on television. Peter Glass is an Associate of the Australian Institute of Landscape Architects (AAILA), a Registered Landscape Architect (RLA) and Member of the Australian Institute of Horticulture (MAIH). ■



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BUILDER Bate & Bate Pty Ltd

POOL PLUMBER Blue Water Pools

POOL INTERIOR FINISHES Italian Glass Mosaic tiles

SURROUNDS Himalayan Sandstone

FILTRATION & PUMP Sand Filtration System

SANITATION Salt Chlorination

POOL SIZE 13.5m x 2m-5m

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