

and shades of blue. Marble benchtops and tiles, and custom joinery add luxury, while brass light fixtures, hardware and *objets d'art* offer a historical link. Soaring multi-paned windows admit lashings of light everywhere and in the bathrooms whimsical wallpapers spark joy. A two-way fireplace in the living area links indoors and out, and adds a contemporary note.

The entry hall leads into the vast family living, dining and kitchen area with its seamless connection to the outdoors. Flooded with light, it is a foil for the formal living room and bar on the opposite side of the entry. This is the perfect spot for evening cocktails in front of the fireplace, with an intimate club vibe created by way of the moody blue walls, plush tan seating, a vintage Persian rug and collectables.

“The home has a masculine flavour brought to life with a mixed materiality,” says Kate. “There is a refined attention to detail in every space.” Leather details reinforce the masculine edge.

Outside, the generous site has been enhanced by landscaping studio Plume to complement the manor-esque feel of the home with mature plantings. Areas for entertaining and relaxation are dotted around the property, including a barbecue pavilion and pool terrace.

The accommodation wing on the upper floor includes a spectacular, spacious main bedroom with a fireplace, views to the bay, a dressing room, marble ensuite and custom coffee room. Downstairs, the ground floor guest bedroom has its own entrance and a separate kitchenette.

Developer Steve Cahill of Cahill Building Group says the architectural style of the home complements the surrounding area and blends in without being imposing. “It sits very comfortably in the streetscape. The home has a sense of softness while maintaining an innate grandeur.”

For Kate, one of the highlights is that the house captures coastal views from every room bar one. “It has the essence of a distinguished English seaside manor with all the convenience of a contemporary build. There is a feeling of romance and nostalgia as you walk through the front gates, with the interior offering a comfortable lifestyle for a large family.” ▶

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