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A LITTLE LUXURY

SMALL IN SIZE, BIG ON STYLE

Put simply, the owners of this home wanted space where there was none. They presented COS Design with a checklist for their outdoor area that included a pool, a fire pit, bench seating and as much space as possible to soak up the sun. One of Australia's most highly regarded and awarded design companies, COS Design checked everything off the list, all within a 15.2m x 6.2m space.

COS Design's response to the challenging brief was to keep things simple and clean. There were many restrictions and a large wish list for such a small space so the team had to respond with an intelligent design. The company receives many enquiries from homeowners as to whether they can fit a pool in their small backyard. This project is testament to the team's ability to exceed expectations and achieve outstanding results, regardless of size.

To make the most of the available space, the design hugs two easements, with the pool located as close to the home as engineering would allow. The pool interior features modern white ceramic pool tiles, set against bluestone paving.



The white concrete polished slab used for the sundeck complements the light interior of the pool and provides the generous space that the homeowners wanted for lounging in the sun.

The slab features a stainless steel water spout with bluestone tiles that gently sends water into the pool. While the homeowners initially wanted a more elaborate water feature, this restrained choice is sophisticated and timeless and helps bring a sense of tranquillity to the space.

A jarrah timber deck sits alongside the polished concrete, with a screen board in black ash stain behind it featuring a Sahara panel by Lump Sculpture Studio. Jarrah was again used for the bench seating, which wraps around a Lump Sculpture Studio fire bowl.

Privacy was also a top priority for the homeowners so the COS Design team selected slender weaver bamboo, complemented by black mondo grass, to offer privacy and screen out the neighbouring two-storey home.



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Dwarf mondo grass was used throughout the space while clivia has been planted under the bench seat. A Japanese maple sits in one corner of the property, flanked by teddy bear magnolias and buxus spheres.

In the wrong hands, the opportunity that this small space presented may have been squandered, but in the experienced hands of Steve Taylor and the COS Design team, the homeowners' expectations have been surpassed with this ingenious project.

Taylor has been building and designing multi award-winning outdoor spaces for Australia's finest properties for more than 15 years. Today he and the COS Design team specialise in a professional design process, from façade facelifts, extensions and outdoor room concepts through to full house and landscape design packages.



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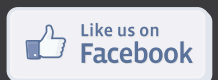
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