



An inviting plunge

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In a home which is filled with staggering design attractions, the pool holds its own.

No matter that red brown quartz columns align with a never-ending glass and stainless-steel stairway, that fittings of granite and spotted gum flooring stun the senses, the pool is integral to the whole.

It is clad in blue Bisazza glass mosaics which are repeated in the ornamental pond at the front door and in an ensuite shower feature upstairs.

At the pool itself they form a series of pedestals which literally serve as stepping stones to access the rear of the outdoor area. A wall panel nearby completes the theme.

It is a plunge pool, 5m by 4m and has a depth of 1.5m. The decking is of wide panel jarrah, ending in a fence at the edge of the block.

The appeal here is that the fence, although appearing to be wood is actually bronzed aluminium.

The same material also provides the gates to the pool care storage area.

A barbecue with a commercial range hood sits on the deck next to the sink and bar fridge and, if the size of the party warrants it, the full-height glass stacker doors can be opened to extend the food and beverage preparation into the kitchen.

In the building of the pool, owner Nick Delborrello selected

A1 Pools to prepare the concrete shell and then used tilers who were scheduled to do the mosaic work elsewhere in the house, to fit out the pool. This was to maintain a level of consistency.

Mr Delborrello's company, Sol Construction, built the home.

A mature yucca tree stands at the head of the pool, adjacent to an external column of red quartz and there are limestone steps leading down to a public park.

Mr Delborrello describes this as the best way to keep a lawn — when somebody else does the mowing and the watering. No argument there.

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The blue mosaic tiles provide a striking touch to the plunge pool.

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