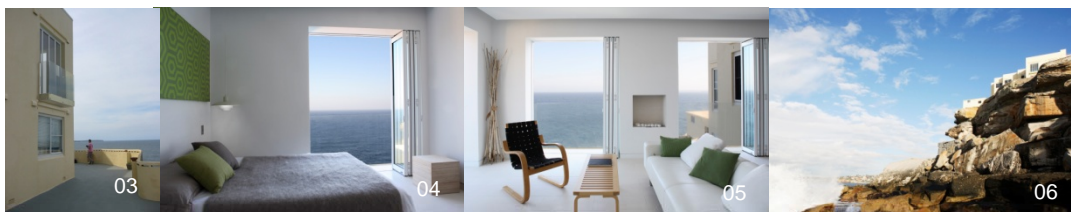




BONDI

APARTMENT REFURBISHMENT

Perched on the cliff top at Ben Buckler's Point, Bondi, the 1930's apartment building has seen many changes over the years. To optimise the space a more desirable east orientation was achieved by enlarging & combining the living & dining spaces. The reshaped layout resulted in the majority of walls within the apartment being rebuilt yet using the support of the original plan as preserved in the apartment below and utilising all the original services. For instance, the toilet is in the same location only rotated 180 degrees. Originally the apartment had four main windows, each with sill heights at one metre, making the view only visible on standing. Cutting the sills of these windows down to the floor level, including high performance low-E glazing and bolting stainless steel balconies on reconnected the bedroom & living space to the ocean and responded environmentally. The new openings provide more light by day with low wattage T5 coffer lighting providing night time illuminance. This project has been short listed for the 2007 Architectural Award. To further accentuate and blur the connection to the ocean below, the light weight acoustic floor, finished in limestone continues outdoors while the balustrades themselves are frameless glass.



01 Living / dining room with new enlarged openings 02 Bathtub shot with bedroom in the background 03 Exterior view of the new balconies 04 Bedroom 05 Living room 06 Location on Ben Buckler point

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