



Lounge room

The sun bounces off the painting *Summer* by South Australian artist John Anderson (to the left), while to the right is *Bush Medicine Dreaming* by Gloria Petyarre. An original Norman Lindsay fountain (below) gets pride of place indoors.



The haven

AUSTRALIAN ART, FRENCH FURNISHINGS AND A TOUCH OF INDIA ADORN THIS PERSONALISED SYDNEY PAD

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Dream homes usually take years to create, but for Rosie Fetzter-Hogg, the process was all rather seamless. It took just eight months for Rosie, founder of Bali Home Interiors (balihomeinteriors.com.au), to overhaul what was a modest two-bedroom house in Sydney's Point Piper into a lavish three-bedroom home. And no detail was too small, with Rosie personally designing the entrance tiles, the bedroom mirrors and even the wardrobes.



Water wall
A water wall feature in the entrance way transforms the home into an oasis.

Entrance
Rosie was on holiday in Morocco when she was inspired to create these entrance tiles, which she designed herself and had made in Indonesia. They give the home a bespoke aesthetic. →

Look around this sanctuary, which Rosie shares with her two teenage daughters Romy and Asha, and her commitment to creativity and passion for travel are evident. "In my daily work, I come up with ideas for other people's homes – anything from what sort of flooring they should have to where walls should be, colour schemes and furnishings," explains Rosie. "When it came to my own home, I had total freedom to experiment with anything I liked and was able to utilise all the resources that were available to me."

Rosie regularly searches the globe for inspiration (she has lived in Japan, Thailand, Hong Kong, the UK and France), but it's from Indonesia – where she lived for 18 months – that most of her ideas, materials and furnishings come. "Because I've travelled so extensively, I've been able to develop my own particular taste and style," she says.

While casually browsing the internet for Sydney properties over a Christmas holiday, Rosie stumbled on this eastern suburbs rarity. "An old structure in Point Piper that has really high ceilings and a lot of sunlight streaming in is very, very rare. I knew immediately that it had great potential," she explains.

While she loved the building's old-style exterior, what lay inside was a different story and not one that reflected her family's needs. "The original structure of the house is still standing, but we completely demolished the interior, moved walls and created new spaces. We rearranged the inside and re-laid the floors to make a three-bedroom house with ensuites. It has raised the value of the property."

To maximise light, Rosie positioned large, custom-made mirrors in all three bedrooms. "I wanted the mirror in my bedroom to pick up the light and throw it back out to make my room appear bigger," she says.

Rosie collects and imports furnishings, materials and rugs from all over the world and then mixes colours, artworks, woods and graphics to achieve an eclectic aesthetic. Her lounges were imported from Italy and bought from Baxter Shop in Sydney (02 8339 1500, baxtershop.com.au), while the cushions were made using antique sari trimmings sourced from markets in Delhi. "Most people would put Indonesian things with Indonesian things; I have mixed together Italian, Burmese, Balinese, Indian and Chinese fabrics and furnishings," says Rosie.

Working closely with a painter, Rosie ensured the walls complemented the artworks, wooden floors and furnishings. "All of the colours have a mix of about three colours with one on top of the other – this gives a room more depth," she says. "The ceilings have a drop of blue paint in the white to give a slight tinge, which makes them feel a little like the sky and also gives the illusion they are higher than they are."

Wardrobes

Rosie had the wardrobes hand-carved and made in Indonesia after providing the makers with a photograph of carving styles she admired.



Fish tank

The original kitchen wall was pulled down and replaced with a fish tank from Masterpiece Creations (0411 488 646, masterpiececreations.com.au). The space above and below doubles as a storage unit.

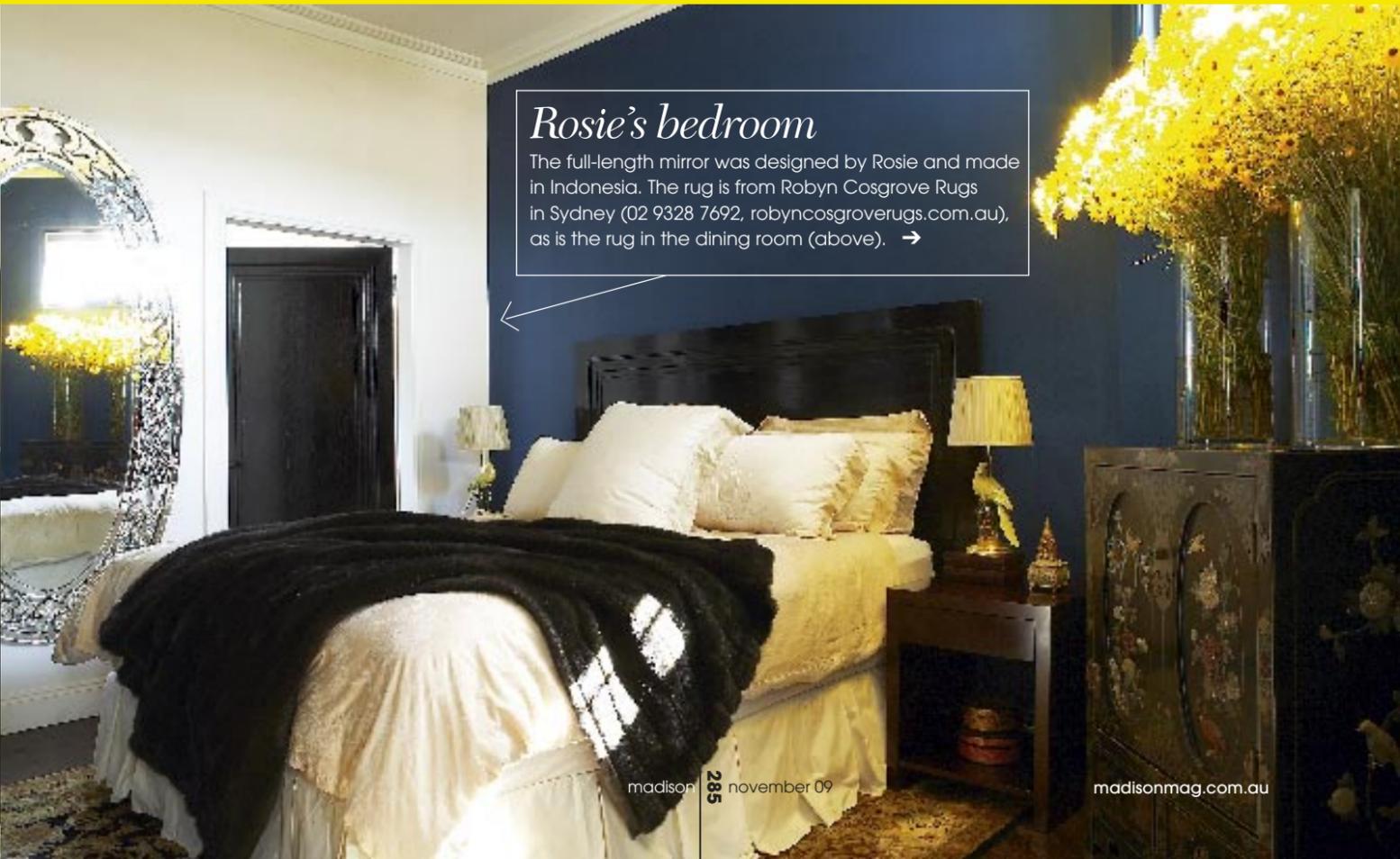


Dining room

The sideboard and dining table were sourced from a Parisian flea market. Atop the sideboard, the hummingbird sculpture is actually a seat from an Indonesian boat. Rosie imported it for her business, but couldn't resist it for herself – an occupational hazard. The chairs are from Indonesia and Rosie had them covered in the heavy-duty cotton drill material used to make horse rugs. A photo of Brazilian supermodel Gisele Bündchen by Sante D'Orazio from Guy Hepner Contemporary gallery in Los Angeles, adorns the wall. The floorboards are made from remilled French wine barrels from Argentina and were bought from Salvage in Sydney (0409 100 101, salvage.com.au).

TIP Vivid yellow echinacea

flowers create a stylish contrast when set against the dark furnishings



Rosie's bedroom

The full-length mirror was designed by Rosie and made in Indonesia. The rug is from Robyn Cosgrove Rugs in Sydney (02 9328 7692, robyncosgroverugs.com.au), as is the rug in the dining room (above). →



Photography

The Michelle Pfeiffer photo is another in Rosie's celebrity collection. This one is by the British photographer Zoobs. The Chinese box is from Manning & Manning in Sydney (02 9699 2117, manningandmanning.com). **m**



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CUSHION, \$220, at Orson & Blake, 02 9399 2525, orsonandblake.com.au.



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Rosie Fetzer-Hogg has just launched her own jewellery line, XRO.



RUG "Indo Gabbeh", \$369, by IKEA, 02 8002 0400, ikea.com.au.



TAGINE, \$89.99, by IKEA, 02 8002 0400, ikea.com.au.

Paint

The smoky blue-grey (seen here) of the lounge room is Colorbond Torres Blue by **Dulux**, 13 25 25, dulux.com.au, mixed with French Wash by **Porter's Paints**, 1800 656 664, porterspains.com.au.

The royal blue of the bedroom is Bobbin Head Blue by **Taubmans**, 13 16 86, taubmans.com.au.



TILES, \$260/square metre, at Onsite Design Studio, 02 9360 3666, onsite.com.au.



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