

# Contemporary coastal marvel

Nature's wild winds did not deter the brilliance that is this clifftop abode



**B**oasting features as exceptional as its coastal location, this two-storey abode is an architectural masterpiece. Designed by architectural build specialists EcoMode to withstand the unique challenges posed by its clifftop site, this Scarborough home in NSW seamlessly blends with its harsh surroundings.

This spectacular house features striking details such as floor-to-ceiling protected windows to take in the 180-degree views, a suspended indoor fireplace, and brickwork that reflects the old Scarborough post office, providing a touch of nostalgia and charm to the abode.

“Our client desired a sophisticated, architectural dream home that could seamlessly integrate with the cliff face,” says Ben Tass, director of Tass Construction Group. “From the initial concrete works to the final interior finishes, every aspect of this build demanded meticulous attention

to detail, with a focus on incorporating the client’s vision into the design.”

Upon entering the grand three-bedroom house through its statement iron door, visitors are greeted with breathtaking ocean views. Modern monochromatic tones complement the tiling and joinery, while brushed-copper hardware features throughout.

The industrial metal walkway connecting the upstairs main bedroom to the hallway adds an edgy, industrial feel to the residence, while the suspended fireplace in the open-plan living/dining area adds warmth and comfort.



Aaron & Ben Tass,  
Directors,  
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“The success of this project was the result of careful planning and preparation, including the positioning of structural steel and services such as plumbing and electrical, to ensure functionality and aesthetic appeal,” says Ben.

The exterior of the home is just as stunning as its coastal interior, featuring Silvertop Ash cladding from Victoria enhanced by polished and unpolished concrete. Heka Hood products were used to provide added protection to sea-facing windows, and at the rear, a spacious outdoor courtyard, complete with pond and balcony, offers glorious mountain views.

To meet N5 wind ratings, the block’s position required heavy bracing and every material used was carefully selected for its wind rating compliance. A large double-brick wall filled with concrete was constructed to provide the correct load bearing for the project, while vital brickwork ensured the entire structure would be held up.

“This extraordinary property is a true testament to our team’s commitment to quality craftsmanship and attention to detail,” says Ben. “Our favourite part of the project was bringing to life the client’s vision for their perfect clifftop home by the sea.”

## The facts

**Location of home:** Scarborough NSW  
**Time taken to build:** 46 weeks  
**Year completed:** 2022

## The figures

**Size of home:** 187.1sqm  
**Size of land:** 624sqm  
**Bedrooms:** 3  
**Bathrooms:** 2  
**Floors:** 2

## The details

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