



# California dreaming

## top choice

### MOUNT MARTHA, \$1.8 million-plus

Realising there is no point having a view if it's on the other side of a brick wall, the designers of this house haven't let anything get between it and the beauty of the bay.

Taking its inspiration from the Californian beach houses of the 1950s, the use of glass and stone characterise this house.

Built on a block of 2673sq m only two years ago, the northerly aspect has been exploited for views across the bay and back to the city.

The central focus is the large kitchen and dining area

granite, a billiards room that opens on to the second-storey balcony, and a home cinema with built-in daybed.

The second level has an office area with built-in desks, guest bedroom and ensuite.

The three other bedrooms have floor-to-ceiling windows and the main has walk-through robes and an ensuite with a raised oval bath and frameless double shower.

Built using local materials and traditional sand and cement render over brick veneer, the design blends beautifully with

