

When Melita Bruvelis, creative director at MBM Styling Co, was asked to decorate a two-bedroom apartment in Breakfast Point, she knew she could have some fun with it. Her brief was to create a relaxed yet sophisticated look, with a contemporary edge. Here she chats to Emma Freeman about how she achieved the look.

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Melita Bruvelis knew she would have to be meticulous about every aspect of the apartment. Located in the Norfolk building, in Sydney's Breakfast Point, the property's eye-catching views were an integral part of the design.

"Relaxed, inviting and cohesive," says Melita when asked to describe the feel of the Breakfast Point apartment. "The property has a private courtyard with a manicured garden and well-proportioned balconies to ensure a perfect blend between indoor and outdoor living." The apartments are enclosed by 3700 square metres of beautiful gardens.

While opting to create a casual resort-style aesthetic, Melita also wanted to portray the sophistication and convenience of city living. With two levels, generously proportioned rooms, high ceilings and two bathrooms, it's hard not to be impressed. "The bedrooms are very private from the main entertaining area and the property has access on both levels from the main hallways of the building," explains Melita. "This offers ease of access and further privacy."

Continuing with the resort-style theme, Melita chose to use a monochromatic neutral colour palette and highlight the furnishings with cloudy pastels. "We didn't select any colours that were too loud or required more attention than another colour," she says. "The harmony of colours sits comfortably together."



She chose to use materials that would suit the property and its surrounds yet also hold a timeless appeal. In reflecting the relaxing vibe of Breakfast Point, it was also important to include items that would allow for easy entertaining and make residents believe they were on a permanent vacation. "The materials used were an eclectic mix of finishes to create another layer to the styling of the apartment," she says.

Melita used an organic approach,

including different styles of timber with raw finishes, linen, metal, wool, felt and durable commercial-grade fabrics that would create a cohesive, contemporary look. "Texture and touch played a prominent role in the selection of all the furnishings and of course comfort," she says. "All the feature pieces have a different layer of texture from the next, making it visually appealing."

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encompassing a design style that accentuates the apartment's surroundings. "As with all apartments in Breakfast Point, every detail has been carefully considered to create a luxurious and well-appointed home," she says. However, it's definitely the master bedroom suite and its luxurious feel that Melita loves the most. "It is a simple design that works well to add a touch of glamour. It offers privacy and an upmarket hotel feel."

For more information on the Breakfast Point apartments, visit www.breakfastpoint.com.au or call 1800 888 325.



MELITA'S TOP DECORATING TIPS

- To create a visually appealing look, always introduce interesting textural elements.
- Create zones that are anchored together within open-plan living designs.
- Remember, it's all in the detail – the details make the design!