



EXTERNAL AFFAIRS
with Tim Goom

Featuring water features

Water features in landscaping can add a touch of elegance and tranquillity to any outdoor space. They not only enhance the visual appeal of a garden but also provide a soothing effect through the sound of running water. These features can be customised to suit individual preferences, ranging from bespoke creations to incorporating existing water elements.

When it comes to incorporating water features into landscaping, one of the key benefits is the opportunity to add visual interest and contrast to the surrounding plantings. The juxtaposition of lush greenery with the shimmering beauty of water creates a dynamic and captivating landscape. The interplay of textures and colours can transform an ordinary garden



into a stunning oasis. Water features can vary in size, depending on the desired effect and available space. They can be large focal points that command attention or smaller additions that blend harmoniously into the overall design. This flexibility allows homeowners to find the perfect balance so that the water feature complements rather than dominates the space.

Water features come in a wide range of styles to suit different tastes and architectural styles. Traditional fountains exude a timeless charm, while modern sleek installations create a contemporary and minimalist look. The choice of style depends on the overall theme of the

garden and the accompanying architecture of the house. By selecting a water feature that harmonises with the existing elements, a seamless integration can be achieved.



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Water features need not be limited to standalone installations; they can also be incorporated into existing structures. For instance, a swimming pool can serve as both a recreational space and a water feature.

Compass pools, with its innovative self-cleaning capabilities can remain uncovered even during cooler months. With the addition of lighting installations, a swimming pool can transform into a mesmerizing evening spectacle, enhancing the ambiance of the outdoor space.

My own kids love the colour changing lighting on our own Compass pool at night. Beyond their aesthetic appeal, water features can also be more sustainable than they appear.

Many water features are designed to recycle water, reducing water consumption and environmental impact. By utilising efficient water circulation systems and appropriate filtration methods, these features can maintain their beauty while conserving water resources. An excellent example of a water feature's transformative power is the Goom Landscapes Renaissance Revival project. This award-winning endeavour showcases the revival of a water feature acquired during European travels. By integrating this historical element into the landscape, Goom Landscapes was able to create a unique and captivating focal point that added depth and character to the garden.

Water features in landscaping offer a multitude of benefits. They can enhance the visual appeal of a garden, provide a soothing soundscape, and be customised to suit individual preferences. Whether they are large or small, traditional, or modern, standalone, or incorporated into existing structures, water features have the power to elevate outdoor spaces and create a serene and captivating atmosphere. To discuss how a water feature can enhance your outdoor living and which bespoke or readymade option will suit you best, call Goom Landscapes today.

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