



## THE LOWDOWN

- ❖ **Armchair** vintage club chair with reconditioned leather seat, bought at auction, \$xxx.
- ❖ **Cushion** custom-designed in xxxxxx fabric by Andrew Waller Design, \$xx.
- ❖ **Side table** Walker side table with tray top in solid American oak, \$610, Temperature Design;
- ❖ **Paint** 1/8 strength Pearl Lusta low-sheen paint, \$39/L Resene; 1800 738 383 or [www.resene.com.au](http://www.resene.com.au).
- ❖ **Ceiling fan** Hunter Pacific Concept 2 ceiling fan, \$249, Lights For You; (02) 9956 8988 or [www.lightsforyou.com.au](http://www.lightsforyou.com.au).
- ❖ **Lights** Luceplan Berenice wall lights with diffuser, \$xxx/each, JSB Lighting; (02) 9571 8800 or [www.jsblighting.com.au](http://www.jsblighting.com.au).
- ❖ **Bedlinen** xxxxxx quilt cover set, \$xxx, and xxxxxx throw, \$xxx, Jasmine Hall; (02) 9979 1400 or [www.jasminehall.com.au](http://www.jasminehall.com.au).
- ❖ **Carpet** Fabrica Chez 100% Antron Legacy nylon carpet in Chinchilla, POA, Whitecliffe Imports; (02) 8595 1111 or [www.whitecliffe.com.au](http://www.whitecliffe.com.au).
- ❖ **Joinery** POA, by Middleton Design; (02) 9905 0608 or [www.middletondesign.com.au](http://www.middletondesign.com.au).

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## ROOM UPDATE

A simple roof storage area in this Sydney home is reimaged to become a beautiful student retreat.

**THE BRIEF** Completed as part of a broader renovation, the owners of this Sydney home asked interior designer Andrew Waller to transform what was a basic roof storage area into a self-contained living zone for their university-student son. "It had to have the feel of an independent apartment while still being a part of the family home, and it had to accommodate his collection of books."

**THE MAKEOVER** Working on this project in conjunction with SJB Architects, Waller took on the task of personalising the space and making it feel comfortable and private. "The attic area extends the whole footprint of the home, so along with the bedroom area there's also a further floor-to-ceiling wall of books, an ensuite, a study and a space for entertaining, as well as two balconies." It's the extensive

joinery that provides most of the detailing in the bedroom zone, says Waller. "We were able to take advantage of the shape of room and run the shelving up to the ceiling. There are no redundant areas here." Waller spent some time selecting the right white paint for the room. "I tested a few and in the end opted for Resene Pearl Lusta at 1/8 strength," he says. A nylon deep-pile Fabrica Chez carpet from Whitecliffe Imports softens and warms the room, as does the refurbished leather club chair.

**WHY IT WORKS** There's a real sense of retreat to this attic space. The pitch of the roof offers gentle cocooning while the books add interest and vibrancy. "We've turned what was formerly a barely used space into an extremely comfortable and inviting living space," says Waller. **H&G**