



# Lap of luxury

A tired old pool area gets a fresh new look.

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## idea 1

### make it inviting

There is nothing worse than an uninviting eyesore of a pool dominating a back yard and this pool zone had absolutely nothing going for it. We decided to give the pool a whole new look by getting it resurfaced in an attractive aqua colour using an epoxy resin resurfacer. Instantly the pool looked brighter, more attractive and cleaner. But then the rest of the pool area needed the once-over to come up to the standard of the fabulous new pool. The coping bricks were rendered in a charcoal colour.

Think about adding colour using plants rather than paint. That way all year round the colour changes.





## *idea 2* somewhere you can relax

The old tin roofed structure that took pride of place next to the pool was replaced with a custom-built Bali-style pavilion. This is 100 per cent weatherproof and really keeps its cool. We layed charcoal pavers under the pavilion and surrounded them with gleaming white Bali stones. These are by no means cheap, but they do add a real touch of class. We installed a large resin wicker lounge suite, perfect for relaxing with a glass of wine by the pool on those balmy evenings. The last thing left to do was to fill the new pool with fresh water and dive in.

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