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Seascape House

Seascape is a small beachside cottage designed to align with a view to double rock arch called "The Comb" situated just off shore. Unfortunately during construction the Comb collapsed into a simple rock spire by the February 2011 Christchurch earthquake. Thankfully the construction was undamaged.

It is a shelter designed as a honeymoon retreat for paying guests and the owners family and consists of lobby, living/sleeping and a bathroom.

The cottage is now finished. It sets into a steep escarpment on a tiny boulder strewn South Pacific Cove and is constructed largely from rock quarried near its site with insitu poured concrete floors and ceilings under an earth turfed roof. The structure is integrated into the escarpment above to protect occupants from falling rock debris.

An interlocking plan geometry responding to both near and far views creates the impression of a much richer built environment.

Its interior is lined with horizontal Macrocarpa timber. This forms integrated joinery, wall and ceiling panels behind double glaze low e glass in storm and shatter proof steel mullions. These use earthquake resistant sliding heads.

The project incorporated an extensive reforestation and re vegetation sub project around it.

Seascape is a romantic hideaway, accessible only by farm track or helicopter as an all weather experience where couples can be intimate with themselves and with nature in the roar of the ocean, oblivious of demands from the outside modern world.

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