



Oasis Peakhurst Retirement Apartments

Project: Oasis Peakhurst Retirement Apartments **Client:** Retirement Your Way **Developer:** Cuzeno Builders and Developers
Products specified: An extensive selection of Caroma bathroom products, alongside CLARK kitchen sinks and mixers

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Background

Comprising 41 spacious boutique dwellings, the latest development from Retirement Your Way – the Oasis Peakhurst Retirement Apartments – elevates the notion of independent living through a uniquely contemporary take on urban village lifestyle. Boasting amenities like a hair salon, a rooftop garden, and a bistro room with home delivery services, this highly resolved residential haven is located amongst the leafy streets of Peakhurst and is only a short train ride away from central Sydney.

The stunning exterior of the buildings is reflected through beautifully finished and thoughtfully designed interiors. “With Oasis Peakhurst Retirement Apartments, we wanted to create something completely different in the retirement living space,” explains Laura Hudson, Sales Consultant at Retirement Your Way. “Sometimes, people struggle to understand that there is a difference between aged care and independent living. We are all about independent living, and have an extraordinary backdrop of services to offer our residents as they age.”

Laura adds that the building had to take into account the fact that the people who would commit to buying off the plan and then move into the dwellings, were always going to be younger. “We had to create something that was going to cater for their needs and preferences in the future, and create an environment where they could age gracefully.”



Challenge

From a design point of view, the desire to create a luxurious residential space that caters to all the needs of its inhabitants in every stage of their journey is expressed through the utmost attention given to elements like accessibility, timelessness and durability.

“Everything had to be designed for minimal bending,” Laura describes. “Similarly, it was paramount for people relying on mobility aids to have full accessibility through the unit and move freely through the village itself. We also wanted to create an environment that wasn’t going to go out of style, and that was going to have longevity both in terms of enduring design as well as performance.”

Laura adds that as the operator of the village, Retirement Your Way is responsible for every single object in the facility until the end of time. “We wanted to put something in there that really doesn’t require maintenance, because that would impact the monthly levies our residents pay.”

These considerations were particularly important in essential spaces like the bathrooms, to ensure the residents could enjoy beautifully presented, safe, accessible and high performing fittings, and to address some of the most fundamental needs with dignity, comfort and confidence.

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Solution

Caroma was a natural fit for Oasis Peakhurst Retirement Apartments. With vast experience in manufacturing bathroom and kitchen fittings for independent living facilities, the brand is Australia's leading specialist in this space. Highly recommended by an accessibility consultant, Retirement Your Way hired to help inform the design of the development, Caroma's extensive range of products was specified all throughout the bathrooms and kitchens.

"Caroma products were recommended to us as products that were going to meet our many needs, as well the needs of our customers moving forward," Laura says. The selection of Caroma products ranging from easy height toilets and shower sets, to bathroom basins and paper roll rails, was specified in both private areas as well as common spaces, alongside kitchen sinks and mixers from CLARK. All products have been designed with accessibility, mobility and intuitive ease of use in mind.

Laura adds that Caroma products were used at Oasis Peakhurst's sister development – Beauty Point Retirement Resort in Padstow Heights. "We were aware of the longevity their high-quality products could provide," she explains. "They also have a beautiful, timeless look and feel which is crucial, because for most customers, this will be their forever home, but to always consider resale potential is wise, so we still want them to look as good as they did the day that the first customers moved in."

What made Caroma stand out even more, was the product accessibility. "Over the past couple of years, there's been challenges for every developer. With COVID and logistical challenges Australia experienced, it was very difficult to source certain products," Laura adds. "Not with Caroma. They have been the one constant that we have been able to access, which we are extremely grateful for."

With their signature qualities like accessibility, longevity, durability and elevated, timeless design, the highly coveted products fit in perfectly with the general senior build code the client was looking to follow with this luxurious development. "With Caroma, we were really able to cater to our residents' needs, and set up the village for many years to come."

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