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NSW: SYDNEY NORTH SHORE. 15 KIRKOSWALD AVENUE, MOSMAN. \$12m-\$14M. STEPHEN Fitzgerald, member of the **board** of guardians of Australia's Future Fund and former chairman of Goldman Sachs Australia, and his wife, Julie, are downsizing from Mosman on Sydney's north shore to Paddington in the city's east. Yullamurra, the **property** they have called home since 2007, was built in the 1930s in the P&O style of architecture.

Overlooking Middle Harbour and the Heads, it has pathway access to Balmoral and Chinamans beaches. There are large entertaining decks, surrounded by trees, which capitalise on the views.

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The house spans three levels, with a formal dining room, lounge and library opening out into more casual living and dining areas featuring expansive water views.

Upstairs, there are five bedrooms with the ensuite to the master boasting a freestanding bath framed by a wall of glass. The lower level has a guest retreat, games room, gym and cellar as well as a triple-car garage.

Outside there is a gas and solar-heated pool complete with cabana. The Fitzgeralds commissioned the Quinlan **Group** to oversee a custom renovation in 2009.

If the panoramic views aren't enough to capture your attention, the interiors have been lovingly crafted.

There is a subtle Asian flavour, reflecting time the Fitzgeralds have spent in the region, with rich timbers offset by natural stone.

Agents: Tim Foote and Adrian Bridges, Belle Property, Mosman. Private auction April 15.

MOSMAN is a suburb on Sydney's north shore. It is surrounded on three sides by the waters of Sydney Harbour and has some of the harbour's most beautiful beaches.

Federation-era houses predominate in Mosman, but there are other styles ranging from Californian bungalows to modern townhouse and **apartment** buildings.

According to Australian **Property** Monitors, the median house price in Mosman in January this year was \$2.28 million. This showed growth of 16 per cent on a year earlier. The median achieved in the wider north shore area in January was \$1.5m.

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VICTORIA: INNER MELBOURNE. 26 YARRAVALE ROAD, KEW. \$2M +

THIS split-level 1960s residence was designed by Melbourne architects Chancellor and Patrick. It is set in the first entirely native garden planted by landscape designer Edna Walling. The house has vaulted ceilings, full-height windows and has been featured in architecture and gardening magazines

over its history. There are four bedrooms plus an upper-level retreat and three bathrooms. It is being sold by Lily Tell, daughter of the original owners.

AGENTS: Hamish Tostevin and James Tostevin, Marshall White, Hawthorn. Auction April 12

VICTORIA: INNER MELBOURNE. 69 ELIZABETH STREET, MALVERN. \$3.25m+

ADVERTISING executive Bob Talbot and wife Sharyn are selling their home of 25 years in Malvern. Bought in the sell-off of the old Malvern Brickworks **site**, the house was originally single-storey. Architect Allan Powell helped the Talbots add a second storey and renovate the lower level about five years ago. The renovation was designed to capture light. The house now has five bedrooms, four bathrooms and a pool. It overlooks the green space of Sir Robert Menzies Reserve.

AGENTS: Darren Lewenberg and Nathan Verwoert, Kay & Burton, South Yarra. Auction today .

QUEENSLAND: 155 SHOREHAVEN DRIVE, NOOSA WATERS. \$2M +

JEFF Pearce, a former human resources executive with Colonial **Group** and Mayne **Group**, and his wife Jean have lived in this waterfront **property** for 10 years. With its own boat jetty and a central courtyard with pool and spa, the house is built for enjoying Noosa's blue skies. It has three bedrooms, three bathrooms and large windows to let the light in. Now retired, the Pearces have bought another home nearby.

AGENT: Nic Hunter, Tom Offermann Real Estate, Noosa Heads. Auction April 11.

## ADELAIDE:

78A SEAVIEW ROAD, WEST BEACH. \$1.5M +.

Architect and academic Steffen Lehmann and his wife, graphic designer Cida, have loved living in their beachfront **property** at Adelaide's West Beach, but a promotion is taking them to Perth. They bought the four-bedroom house in 2011 and Cida says she will miss watching the sun set over the ocean. The kitchen, with a 4m **island** bench, is sure to tempt any home entertainer. A balcony offers views across a **park** to the dunes of the beach and beyond to Gulf St Vincent.

AGENTS: Peter McMillan and Eloise McMillan, Toop & TOop, Hyde Park. Auction April 13.

NSW: SOUTHERN HIGHLANDS. 618 ARGYLE STREET, MOSS VALE. \$1M+

HAIRDRESSER Glenn O'Reilly and his wife Karen bought this historic country home, Lynton, built about 1860, about five years ago in what Glenn describes as "a very run-down state". They have lavished "a lot of love, sweat and tears" on turning it into a beautiful family home set in landscaped gardens spanning 9788sq m. The house has 5m high ceilings, original fireplaces, six bedrooms and three bathrooms. It has dual access and scope for future subdivision.AGENT: Eloise Haydon, McGrath Estate Agents, Bowral. Auction April 12.

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