## Australian <u>Em</u>bassy

## Bangkok, Thailand

## **Project Information**

Client: Department of Foreign Affairs & Trade

Project Value: \$194,000,000

Capacity: 14,000 m<sup>2</sup> GFA

Architects: BVN Architects - James Grose

Architectural Style: Bilateral Relationship

Opened: 31st July 2017

Photography: John Gollings



The Australian Embassy building in Bangkok is an intersection between two cultures - modern Australia and modern Thailand. Architects BVN have captured beautifully the cultural and diplomatic ties between the two countries.

The new complex has a curved organic form, that has been inspired by the natural Australian landscape - while the colour of the building reflects the deserts of central Australia, and incorporates traditional Thai brickwork.

Many of the materials used within the embassy were Australian sourced including Australian timber Blackbutt, Spotted Gum and marble from the Pilbara region WA and North Queensland.

Mirotone Thailand provided the surface coatings for the interior of the embassy. MIROTEC WB 8022 Clear Sealer and MIROTEC WB 8060 Clear Topcoat (both Green Star Rated) were used to beautify and protect the Blackbutt and Spotted Gum timber throughout the interior of the embassy.

The Australian embassy is a perfect example of forward thinking incorporating environmental sustainability and design, while ensuring physical security requirements.

The embassy became the most expensive project completed by the Australian Government overseas.



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