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PARK HYATT MELBOURNE PARLIAMENT SQUARE, MELBOURNE, VICTORIA

THE PROJECT

The Park Hyatt Hotel in Parliament Place, Melbourne, has long been renowned for its elegant and lavish suites in a high-end property.

Its rooftop tennis court, however, was far from opulent, with the existing worn synthetic surface, unsafe for players, being shut off from the rest of the hotel.

With the goal of bringing new and existing clients back to the hotel, California Sports Surfaces and contractor team Matchpoint Systems were engaged by Hotel Management to revitalize the court space, turning it from a drab underutilized area into a showpiece space and an attraction.

Located on the 14th floor, the existing court surface was updated from a synthetic surface to a robust cushion acrylic, providing improved wear and playability for both the benefit of guests, as well as easing ongoing maintenance for hotel staff.

There were significant obstacles in the project brief, including risks of moisture ingress, heat generation from the existing synthetic surface, mold/fungus growth in the rooftop environment, not to mention issues around the transfer of noise from the court area into the rooms below.







THE SOLUTION

California Sports Surfaces revolutionary Rebound Ace Air Cushion floating mat lay system combined with CSS CoolTop, a new topcoat that, through infrared reflective pigments, reduces acrylic athletic court surface temperature via solar reflectance (when compared to standard competitor court surfaces), assisting in overall player comfort. A vibrant two-tone color combination of Nordic Blue and Ice Blue was picked to bring the project together.

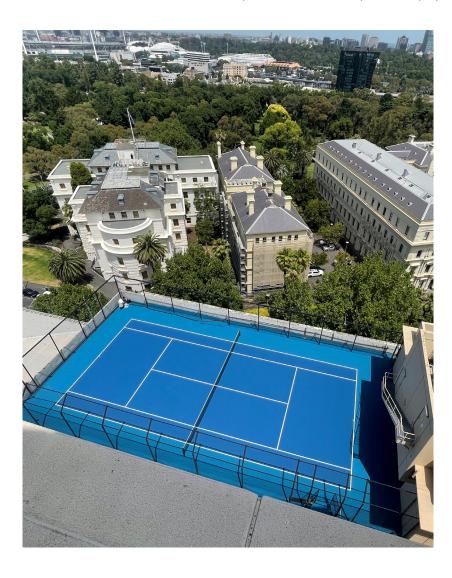
The Rebound Ace Air Cushion System provides a 7mm prefabricated rubber mat, which floats over the substrate, allowing for movement in the concrete joints from the base below, without telegraphing through the seamless playing surface.

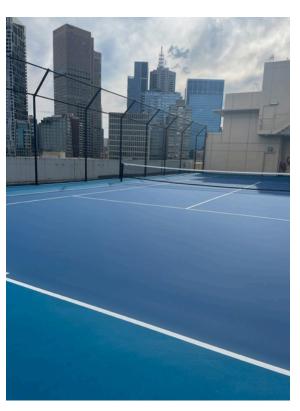
Supported by a fiberglass overlay, the Air Cushion Mat System has superior acoustic properties, with an air layer between the rubber and concrete base, blocking vibrating court surface noise from migrating through to the building below.

CSS CoolTop acrylic sports coating is a positive initiative for the sports industry, aimed at outdoor sports such as tennis, basketball, and netball.

CoolTop reduces court temperatures to keep players engaged in sport and social activity longer, while minimizing heat-related impact. The product also reduces heat absorption and the adverse effects of heat islands – phenomena that occur when natural land cover is replaced with dense concentrations of pavement and other surfaces that absorb and retain heat – supporting a primary goal of environmental sustainability efforts.

Combined, Rebound Ace Air Cushion System and CSS CoolTop deliver a player surface of the utmost quality.





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