

BOXED BUILDINGS – BENEFITS COMPARED TO TRADITIONAL BUILDS

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IS A MAJOR SITE CUT/ EXCAVATION REQUIRED?	NO. (IF UTILISING 'SUREFOOT' TM FOOTINGS)	YES (FOR CONCRETE SLABS)
STUMP HOLE EXCAVATION REQUIRED?	NO. (IF UTILISING 'SUREFOOT' TM FOOTINGS)	YES (FOR CONCRETE STUMPS AND PAD FOOTINGS)
CHOICE OF FOOTING? (STUMPS OR CONCRETE SLAB)	YES. (OUR DESIGNS ARE FLEXIBLE. ADDITIONAL COSTS FOR CONCRETE SLABS ARE APPLICABLE)	SOMETIMES (MANY VOLUME BUILDERS ONLY BUILD WITH CONCRETE SLABS)
HOW MANY DELIVERIES OF MATERIALS ARE MADE TO THE SITE?	ONE. (EVERYTHING REQUIRED FOR ASSEMBLY IS DELIVERED ONCE.) * LARGER PROJECTS MIGHT NEED MORE THAN ONE BOX TO BE DELIVERED ON THE SAME DAY.	MANY (MULTIPLE DELIVERIES ARE MADE THROUGHOUT THE BUILD PROCESS, CREATING DELAYS)
CAN I OWNER-BUILD?	YES. (OUR PROJECTS ARE DESIGNED FOR SIMPLE ASSEMBLY WITH ALL 'ABOVE GROUND' PARTS SUPPLIED)	YES (BUT TRADITIONAL BUILDS CAN BE MORE DIFFICULT TO CO- ORDINATE)
DO I NEED TO STRAIGHTEN WALLS AFTER INSTALLATION?	NO. (THE WALLS AND ROOF ARE PRECISION ENGINEERED AND DO NOT NEED STRAIGHTENING IF INSTALLED CORRECTLY)	YES (FRAME BUILT SYSTEMS NEED TO BE STRAIGHTENED PRIOR TO PLASTERING)
DO I NEED INTERNAL PLASTERBOARD IN DRY AREAS?	NO. (THE WALLS AND ROOF DO NOT REQUIRE PLASTERBOARD. THEY CAN BE LEFT 'RAW').	YES (FRAME BUILT SYSTEMS ALL NEED PLASTERING AND

	* WE INCLUDE 'DULUX TEXTURE FINE COVER' TO ALLOW A FINE STUCCO EFFECT TO BE APPLIED.	PAINTING WHICH IS EXPENSIVE AND TIME-CONSUMING).
DO I NEED INTERNAL WALL LININGS IN WET AREAS (BATHROOMS, LAUNDRIES)?	YES. (ALL WET AREAS NEED A SUITABLE SUBSTRATE FOR WATERPROOFING). * INCLUDED IN ALL PROJECTS THAT HAVE WET AREAS.	YES (ALL WET AREAS NEED A SUITABLE SUBSTRATE FOR WATERPROOFING).
CAN I FULLY CUSTOMISE?	YES. (WE OFFER A FULL BESPOKE DESIGN SERVICE).	NOT ALWAYS (MANY MAJOR BUILDERS HAVE STRICT LIMITATIONS ON CUSTOMISING EXISTING DESIGNS, OR DO NOT OFFER BESPOKE SERVICES AT ALL).
ARE YOUR HOMES THERMALLY EFFICIENT?	ABSOLUTELY. (OUR WALL AND ROOF SYSTEM ALLOW EACH BUILDING TO EASILY ACHIEVE THE MINIMUM 7-STAR ENERGY RATING ... AND BEYOND). * WE ALSO ENDEAVOUR TO MAXIMISE PASSIVE SOLAR DESIGN TO MINIMISE RELIANCE ON MECHANICAL HEATING/COOLING SYSTEMS.	'SORT OF' (TRADITIONAL BUILDING METHODS MEAN THAT MANY HOMES LEAK AND ARE LESS EFFICIENT. ANY LACK OF CUSTOMISATION MEANS THAT PASSIVE SOLAR DESIGN OPPORTUNITIES ARE LIMITED).
HOW QUICK IS CONSTRUCTION?	VERY. (LESS PARTS, LESS TRADES, LESS DIGGING MEANS A TIME-SAVING OF UP TO 50% COMPARED TO TRADITIONAL BUILDS).	'NOT VERY' (TRADITIONAL BUILDING HAS LOTS OF TRADES, LOTS OF CO-ORDINATION, LOTS OF WAITING. ALL THIS INCREASES THE BUILD TIME).
CAN CHANGES BE MADE AFTER DELIVERY?	YES, WITH LIMITS. (VARIATIONS ARE ALLOWED FOR ALL FOR PROJECTS AT THE CLIENTS EXPENSE. AS	YES (VARIATIONS ARE ALLOWED FOR ALL FOR PROJECTS AT THE

	OUR WALL AND ROOF SYSTEMS ARE PREFABRICATED, ANTICIPATE DELAYS FOR REQUESTED CHANGES). * OUR ROLE IS TO ENSURE THAT THE SCOPE CHANGES ARE MINIMAL. WE PROVIDE 3D IMAGES TO PROVIDE AN ACCURATE REPRESENTATION OF THE COMPLETED PROJECT BEFORE SIGN-OFF.	CLIENTS EXPENSE. TRADITIONAL FRAME BUILDS ARE OPEN TO ERRORS WITH LIMITED RECOURSE FOR CORRECTION.)
HOW MUCH WASTE IS GENERATED?	ALMOST NONE. (APART FROM FLATTENING SOME CARDBOARD BOXES AND ROLLING UP SOME PLASTIC WRAPPING FROM PACKAGING, THERE SHOULD BE NEXT TO NO WASTE.	LOTS! (WALK PAST ANY CONSTRUCTION SITE AND YOU'LL SEE AT LEAST ONE MAJOR BIN, NOT INCLUDING WASTE CREATED AROUND SITE. IN 2022-23 THE CONSTRUCTION INDUSTRY IN AUSTRALIA GENERATED 26.8 MILLION TONNES OF WASTE. 25% WAS NOT RECOVERED.
DO YOU BUILD THE HOMES?	NO. (BUT WE CAN ASSIST WITH LOCATING A BUILDER AND TRADES TO ASSEMBLE THE BUILDING IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE BUILDING PERMIT). * APART FROM INCIDENTAL CONSUMABLES, THE BUILDER AND TRADES WILL ONLY CHARGE FOR LABOUR, THEREFORE REMOVING THEIR MARGIN ON MATERIALS. THIS COST-SAVING IS PASSED TO YOU.	YES, BUT ... (YOU PAY FOR MULTIPLE STACK-UPS OF COST-PLUS MARGINS, PLUS EXTENDED TIME ON TRADITIONAL BUILDS ... ALL ADDING TIME AND MONEY).