

Use your property asset to improve your financial position without risk

When financial markets become volatile, we tend to react by moving our funds to safe havens. **How do we preserve what we have worked hard to accumulate? What investment strategies provide best prospects for advantage for home owners?**

For those who already own property, a clever choice can be to add a thoughtfully considered high quality home improvement



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Home improvements should be considered carefully to ensure they deliver the viable return you would expect. Achieving best advantage entails selection of quality products and materials from reputable suppliers backed by a strong brand with a proven track record of service and quality.

Buying quality is an investment that will serve you well, long after the price is forgotten.

- The improvement should be designed with styling and colour schemes that has broad appeal and will not easily date. The design should make the property desirable but not risk overcapitalizing.
- Energy savings potentials should be thoroughly investigated - including available government incentives and rebates as well as utility cost savings.
- New initiatives are being introduced to the building industry that will advantage households that create an alfresco outdoor living area. This may be a patio-deck that includes an outdoor kitchen facility that runs on gas. Shade and Ventilation create comfortable outdoor living areas in summer that reduce or remove the reliance on expensive air conditioning and prevents the sun from entering windows to remove otherwise sweltering hothouse conditions



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This satisfied customer in Belmont now enjoys the complete outdoor home improvement that we designed and built with their special needs in mind. The project was completed within weeks of council approval by using the patented, pre-engineered Stratco Outback system.

This clever investment strategy enhanced their lifestyle and the practical amenity of the property while creating a property asset that forms a key part of their long term financial strategy. The question is whether other asset class investments in the current economic climate would have performed as well. Certainly this property would not have become the saleable asset it is today.



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Discuss your alfresco outdoor entertainment area for the most savvy investment decision you could make this year by way of a quality home improvement.

Choosing a **Stratco** dealer that is also a licensed Building company ensures the best of Builders Guarantees and product Warranty support.

The **Stratco Outback** is the only patented pre-engineered Patio product on the market. That means the best spans available * fewer posts, better structural integrity, streamlined finish with no risk of rust or corrosion.

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The latest in **Stratco Sunroof technology** is a clever example that demonstrates how alfresco living options benefit the home owner to suit our climate. The Sunroof includes sensors that automatically open and close in line with the prevailing weather conditions. The home owner can manage the flow of light, shade, weather protection and add beauty, lifestyle amenity all with the ease of a remote control. Add the WoW factor to the value of your property.



As energy costs increase (forecasts suggest a 60% increase in Queensland power utility costs in the year ahead), the value of an **al fresco outdoor living area** will be highly sought after. There can be no better time to invest in a well designed quality home improvement than the present.

We know that Build costs will increase dramatically once the carbon tax is introduced (the HIA estimates that the cost of an average new home will increase by \$6000 in 2012). Utilities charges to heat and cool most existing homes is already forcing many home owners to consider innovative solutions to reduce their cost of living) such as alfresco outdoor living areas.

