

Rave reviews

Take it from those who have discovered stress-free building and living



PARKWOOD has been in the transportable homes business for many years. Here, *BuildHome* has revisited a couple of the company's homes and invited their satisfied owners to offer insights into their particular Parkwood Homes' experience.

"Being six months pregnant at the time of signing contracts and able to move into our completed home when Millie was only two months old says it all. Our experience with Parkwood Homes was quick, stress-free and informative. My husband and I were very happy with the services Parkwood Homes provided us with, from our initial house-hunting days to the finished product," say Kim and Rhian of Aberdeen, NSW.

"Kathy (Parkwood Homes' sales manager) was always helpful and informative when assisting us to make choices. The range of interior and exterior inclusions allowed us to choose almost any colour combinations for

both wet and dry areas.

"We mirror-reversed the plans of the 'Roberts' design to allow fewer windows on the western wall. Temperatures reach 40 degrees Celsius on most summer days and get as cool as -4 degrees Celsius in winter, so we really needed to make the design work to maximise our

cooling and heating needs.

"We have also added a spanline outdoor area and have received numerous comments on how our house has blended in so well with the area. All in all, we have been very happy with both the products and the services provided by Parkwood Homes."

Annette, from Laguna, NSW, is another happy Parkwood home owner, with plenty of praise for the company.

"Prior to deciding to go with Parkwood, we had visited many kit home manufacturers in the Central Coast and Sydney areas. When we approached Parkwood, I specifically had in mind adding an atrium to the front of the house to take the box-like effect away and to gain better views overlooking a creek and natural bush area.

"Parkwood was helpful and flexible to any changes my husband and I requested throughout the drawing of the plans and throughout the building. The company's craftsmanship and installation of tiles in the bathrooms, kitchen and laundry has been first-class.

"We watched our house being built at Somersby and delivered to our site with the whole house assembled in a day.

"We didn't know anyone in the area when we moved but within a week or two we were inundated with neighbours calling in to introduce themselves and who were amazed that they actually drove past our property in the morning and there was no house and upon returning past our property in the afternoon, there was a house!

"What most neighbours were curious about was what it looked like to actually stand inside the property in the atrium area and see the aspect. No doubt, we met a lot of neighbours in a short time!

"There was not one person who realised that we had built a transportable home. I was asked numerous times who my builder was and have given Parkwood's name to all who enquired.

"We opted for Jasper for the colour of the roof as we thought this would blend in with environment. We did not want the house to

stand out like a sore thumb.

"You may recall the June long weekend floods of 2007, which affected the Central Coast and Hunter region (we are in the lower Hunter Valley). We were completely cut off with our relatively dry creek rising to become a raging river; we had no electricity, water or telephone for four days. However, in saying this, the house did not have one leak. In our bedroom at the back of the house, the window took the full brunt of the torrential rains and winds and even bowed at one point. It never leaked a drop. What can I say?

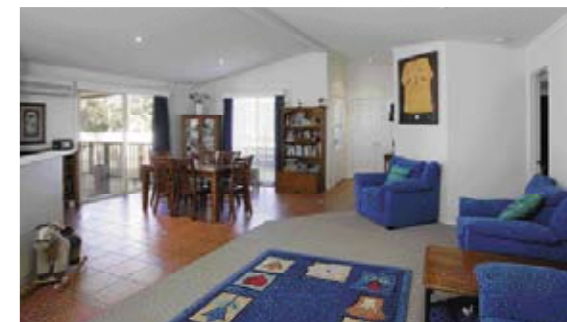
"We recently had the window removed and extended the deck along the back of the house with the existing roofline and put in a sliding glass door. This was mainly to take the weather off the back portion of the house.

"I was home and it took three builders half a day to remove the one window. It was so securely placed that the builders were astounded and impressed with the workmanship.

"We have recently invited the local real estate agent in our area who sold us the acreage into the property for his opinion. He said he had driven past our place on many occasions and he also did not realise we had built a modular home and congratulated us on a beautiful property.

I am only too happy to recommend Parkwood to all. The company was extremely helpful, flexible and took the time to listen to any suggestions we made. As I am a rather fussy and fastidious person, I have found that the workmanship from Parkwood is first-class."

Parkwood also builds commercial and school structures. A full range of residential home plans and prices ranging from one-bedroom cabins to country homes with six bedrooms and three bathrooms can be viewed on its website. +



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