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Choosing a new roof

Replacing asphalt shingles on a roof may seem like a straightforward project until you see the large amount of shingle options available. You will most likely start by considering something similar to your existing roofing material which is a safe choice since you already know what the end result will look like. Choosing a different colour of roof or a different shaped shingle can give your home an instant and refreshing transformation. Along with aesthetics there are other factors to consider and one is the weight of the shingle. A heavy shingle is not necessarily a better shingle. They add more weight to the structure of your roof plus they are more difficult to work with. Energy saving is another consideration. If you choose a dark coloured roof, it will absorb heat and help your home stay warm in winter. Lighter shades will deflect heat and keep your home cooler in summer. Some manufacturers offer cool roof technology which is a roofing system that delivers higher solar reflectance to reduce the amount of heat absorbed by the roof. Asphalt shingles can be applied directly over old shingles as long as the roof deck is in good condition. Shingles with a clear nailing zone make installation easier and correct installation is crucial for roofing projects. This is not only important for the life of your roof but the manufacturer warranty can be nullified if the roof is installed incorrectly. Study the warranty and manufacturer installation instructions before you start.

Having trouble visualizing a new roof on your

Try an online preview tool with a photo of your home. Click on the manufacturer logo below for their roof visit













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Until recently, the most common type of asphalt roofing shingle was the traditional 3-tab. The advancement of technology and changing consumer tastes has put architectural laminate shingles in the forefront of popularity. The term "laminate" means the construction consists of two or more basic shingles laminated together. The term "architectural" refers to the appearance simulating natural slate tiles or cedar shakes thus giving them more architectural visual interest. This look can be achieved by the colouring and by the cut of the shingle. There are different types of shingles within this category so cost can vary greatly. All will provide effective protection against wind and water penetration. If you live in an area that regularly experiences strong winds, consider a performance shingle. Higher end shingles can generally have a thicker construction and can more closely resemble natural slate tiles or cedar shakes.

Metal roofing



Beautiful. Worry-free. A sustainable lifetime roof.

Properly installed, a metal roof has the durability and strength to last as long as your house. For this reason, it is an investment that will increase the resale value of your home. The metal roof most commonly installed is the traditional vertical ribbed panel or "standing seam" construction. This type of metal roof was once found only on utility buildings but now can be found as an architectural detail to highlight a porch or window overhang and it's clean lines are now showing up as the main roofing material on contemporary style homes. Metal panel roofing requires little maintenance, is lightweight, fire resistant and keeps your home cooler in summer and warmer in winter. Some types of metal roofing can be applied over an existing roof without the need for additional structural support. This depends on where you live so check your local building code prior to installation. And when the time comes, metal is 100% recyclable so nothing ends up in landfill. Metal panel roofing comes in a wide range of colours and finishes; you can always find one that's perfect for the style of your home.







Product profile

Metal roof tiles

The next generation in metal roofing

True Nature Metal Roof Tiles by VicWest is an innovative and elegant metal roofing collection, inspired by nature and offering life-like realism and lifetime protection. They have all the benefits of a metal roof including durability, strength, low maintenance, longevity, energy efficiency and they are recyclable as well.. What sets this roofing system apart from traditional metal roofing is it offers the appearance of natural materials like slate, shake, and clay tiles, but without the high cost and maintenance. Specialized paint coatings result in multi-hued finishes that are designed to look even more like their natural counterparts. Each 28-gauge steel metal tile is enhanced by layers of specialized coatings that combine to create a realistic finish that is protected from fading and corrosion in virtually all weather conditions. True Nature's Quadra-Loc technology locks tiles in place on all four sides for unprecedented water-tightness and virtually eliminates uplift from winds up to 180MPH.

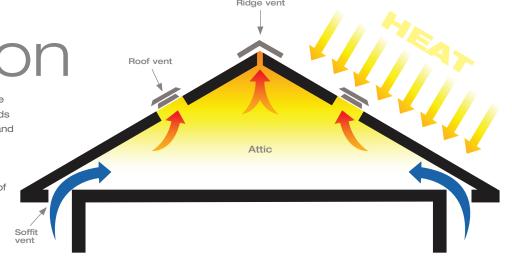






The importance of attic ventilation

Proper attic ventilation is an important component of an energy-efficient home since it keeps your house warm in winter and cooler in summer. It also extends the life of your roof by venting moisture from your attic to prevent rot, mold, and mildew. To provide proper attic ventilation, your home should have both soffit and ridge vents and sometimes gable vents. Soffit vents bring outside air into your attic while ridge and gable vents let hot air out of your attic. This system provides air movement under the roof that is exhausted out the top of the roof through the ridge vent. Shingle warranties may make coverage conditional on meeting their minimum ventilation requirements. Consult manufacturer for specific ventilation requirements when selecting a shingle product.



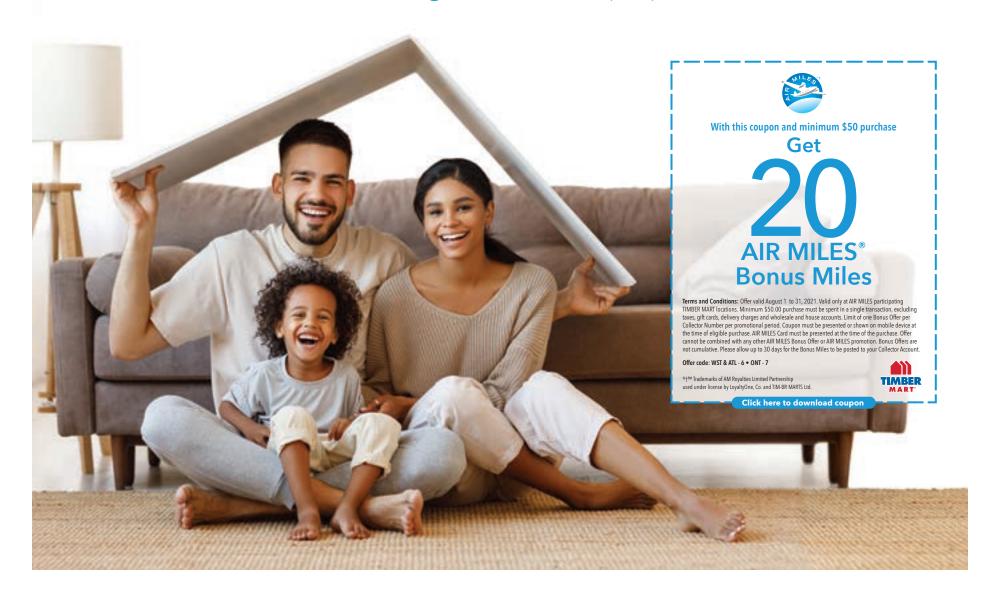
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Year after year, vinyl siding remains the popular choice for homeowners planning an exterior makeover. It offers an unbeatable combination of durability, affordability and low maintenance while available in a wide range of colours and styles. There are many factors to consider when choosing siding and it can be difficult to know where to start. Colour is one of the biggest decisions you'll have to make so start there. You can stay with your home's existing colour or you can take this opportunity to add tremendous curb appeal and change the colour to something fresh and current. The next step is choosing which profile is best suited to your house style. Common profiles are clapboard, dutchlap, rabbeted bevel and beaded. Each is available in assorted textures and widths. Your home's architecture can be your guide when it comes to choosing. Some profiles are smooth and some are heavily wood-grained. Some have the look of many narrow boards and some have the look of fewer wider boards. Take into consideration the shadow line of each option. The siding profile you choose can dramatically alter the look of your home's exterior so this decision should be carefully thought out. Don't be afraid to mix profiles, texture and colour when selecting materials for the different parts of your house. Adding polymeric shakes or vertical board and batten siding in a complimentary colour to the gables of your home will not only add visual interest, it will also provide added design dimension. Finish off your siding project with siding trim for a decorative detail to highlight your home's architecture. Enhance your windows, doors, roofline, corners and any other feature you want to accentuate. Choose classic white or a contrasting colour to add a bold touch.

We can help you determine the right material for your siding. We'll show you the options available, discuss your preferences and budget and make sure your project meets all your expectations.









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BELLARA™ Steel Siding

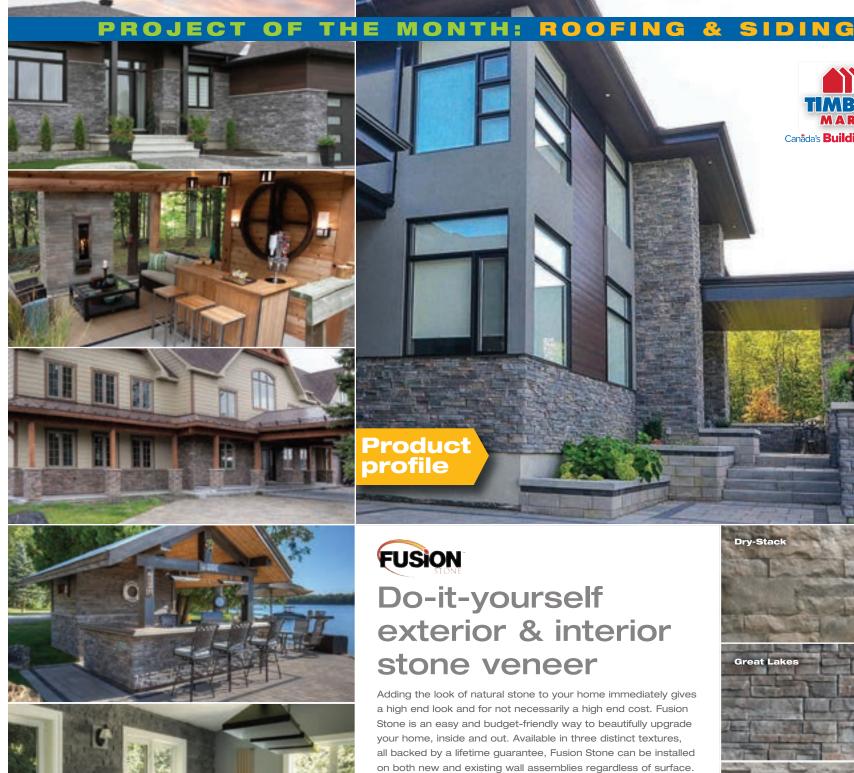
Beauty locked-in

Crafted to emulate natural wood, engineered from steel, and designed to last a lifetime, Bellara panels celebrate nature. Each panel, made from 26-gauge galvanized steel, is 5.25 inches wide by 12 feet long. A 5/8 inch thick architectural profile adds to the sense of realism.

The process for creating a Bellara panel starts at the lumber yard, where Vicwest scours for rare woods with elegant grains and rustic barn-boards that have a beautifully aged patina. These woods are then digitally scanned using state-of-the-art photo-imaging equipment and then painstakingly recomposited. Once perfected, these images are painted onto the steel using state-of-the-art coil coating technology combined with the world's best PVDF paints which lock-in the wood's natural beauty for generations. The grains and knots are captured to bring the imagery to life in 5 unique plank designs which are thoughtfully mixed within the package creating a variation of pattern that achieves a truly authentic look.

Because Bellara panels are made from galvanized steel, it's backed by a 40-year warranty which ensures protection from rust, and will not warp, crack peel or chip, or attract mould mildew or pests. Unlike painted siding, Bellara panels won't flake from UV exposure. Color-matched trims are available to create a seamless facade.





It is the only thin stone system on the market that mechanically fastens each piece to the wall by using stainless steel clips and screws included in the box. With just a few basic tools your average home handyperson is transformed Fusion Stone expert! Fusion Stone also offers accessories to give your project a

professionally crafted finish.



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Choosing a colour palette

Multiple shades

Often, an exterior palette has three parts: a main colour, an accent colour and a trim colour. These colours can be monochromatic for a modern look or varied for a more traditional look. If your main colour is dark, ideally the trim colour is light with the accent in the middle. And vice versa, main colour light, trim colour dark, accent in the middle. You can add a fourth colour to your front door in a colour that blends into your palette or is completely different.

The colour experts at PPG and SICO have ready-made paint palettes of various colour combinations with today's trends in mind. Click on the links below and check out beautiful colour combinations that will inspire.



Classic and contemporary paint colours for your home



Our most popular, most specified exterior house colours



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Need tools? We've got them

The right tools always make the job easier and we have the latest tools to complete your roofing and siding projects. We can also give you tips on how to use the tools effectively.



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Safety tools

Staying safe needs to be a priority, include these in your safety tool list: ladder hooks, safety glasses, work gloves. For roofing projects include a safety harness, ridge anchor, roof brackets and non-slip shoes.

Specialty tools

For roofing jobs, you will need a roof shovel, roof hatchet, magnetic sweeper.
For siding jobs you will need a snap lock punch, nail hole slot punch.

Hand tools

You will need a hammer, level, tape measure, prybar, utility knife, caulking gun, framing square, tin snips, chalk line, tool belt, hand saw. It's important to keep your whole toolkit handy so you are ready for anything.

Other essential tools are a good extension ladder, a wheelbarrow for hauling and a broom for cleanup.



Siding projects will need a fine tooth saw

blade specific for cutting siding.

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Sealant colour matching made easy

With the plethora of siding and trim colour options and finishes available on the market today, not only is choosing the proper exterior sealant important for your home, but the ability to colour match the sealant with your exterior project material will really help to achieve a professional finish. How do you know when to use a white, black, clear, or coloured sealant? Luckily, LePage has over 90 QUAD® and QUAD® MAX sealant colours to choose from, in addition to white and clear. These sealants are paintable as well. Read on for some pointers on how to choose the right colour for your project:

- Black is often used to seal exterior roofing penetrations such as vents and plumbing pipes, to cover exposed nails through shingles, and shingle-to-metal flashing intersections. Black caulk is flexible, ultraviolet-light resistant, and prevents water intrusion damage.
- Clear is most often used to create invisible bonds and when you are using dissimilar materials. It is also ideal when working with fine building materials, such as stone and brick, where it is difficult to find an ideal colour match to these substrates. Keep in mind that clear will show the area the sealant is covering, whereas translucent is a semitransparent option that hides the work underneath it.
- When you want to achieve a precise colour match to your exterior finish, turn to the LePage Colour Match Tool, where you can quickly filter your sealant color options by selecting your exterior material manufacturer. Colour matching eliminates the need to paint the sealant later.
- White remains a popular and versatile choice as well and can seamlessly blend in with many materials. Keep in mind LePage QUAD® sealants in white are paintable as well, offering more flexibility for your project.

No matter the exterior project, TIMBER MART has a wide variety of LePage sealants so you can get the job done right.

