



Quality Homes in a Snap

PREFABRICATED HOMES OFFER SAVINGS, SPEED, AND SPECTACULAR RESULTS.

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IF SOMEONE TELLS PROSPECTIVE HOMEOWNERS they can assemble the key pieces of a beautiful custom home in just hours, most stop in their tracks and ask how. And when they learn about a remarkable panelized wall and roof truss system that saves time as well as money, most ask where they can sign up.

According to the National Association of Home Builders, more Californians than ever before are purchasing panelized building systems to build homes and other structures. The process begins in a climate-controlled facility where skilled craftsmen carefully construct a home's essential structural components from raw materials into perfectly sized panels. Upon completion, the panels are loaded onto a truck for delivery to the site. With the help of as few as four laborers, the walls pop up with windows intact, room dividers in place, and trusses ready for the roof. Framing happens in half the time of conventional building methods.

Dennis Foster, owner of California Pre-Cut Homes in Danville, says, "Buzz words for precut structures include savings, beauty, quality, speed, reliability, and simplicity." As the East Bay's exclusive dealer for Pacific Modern Homes, Inc. (PMHI), the industry's leading manufacturer of panelized building systems, California Pre-Cut Homes has been in business for over 30 years. For 12 out of 14 years, the company has won PMHI's prestigious Dealer of the Year award.

The wall system packages use name-brand quality products, including materials made by Milgard Manufacturing, Alpine Engineered Products, Roseburg Lumber, Louisiana-Pacific Corporation, and Therma-Tru Doors. California Pre-Cut Homes has sold over 1,000 of these quality precut panel home packages, and, in 2006, experienced a 65 percent increase in business.

It was a good year for the customers, too. The clients of California Pre-Cut Homes saved 20 to 50 percent on their new homes by using the prefabricated building systems. "People are always shocked by how much they can save, but they're also surprised by the versatility of precut panels," adds Dennis.

If you're thinking these precut panel homes might have cookie-cutter designs and limitations, think again. Precut homes can be as simple or as complicated as their owners want. Although the company offers 33 different standard floor plans, more than 90 percent of the structures delivered by California Pre-Cut Homes aren't found in any floor plan book. "Most of the time homebuilders choose to use our custom design service or they bring their own floor plans to the table," explains Dennis.

Precut panel systems aren't just limited to custom home designs, either. They can be used to create, expand, or improve any home or business. They are frequently chosen for garages, offices, kitchens, bedrooms, bathrooms, cabins, chalets, duplexes, and barns. The ability to customize the wall panels and trusses makes it possible to create unique looks and seamlessly blend new construction with existing architecture.

"Our projects run the gamut," says Dennis. "We've delivered everything from a 240-square-foot garage (framed over one weekend) to a 7,000-square-foot custom home in Hawaii (framed in five weeks), and a 22,000-square-foot, three-story apartment building in the Bay Area (enclosed in 55 days)."

California Pre-Cut Homes can also help with financing. In most cases, you'll need two loans—a construction loan to actually build the home and a conventional, long-term mortgage loan. A licensed representative from PMHI can help you obtain both.

California Pre-Cut Homes offers a 160-page catalog and CD/DVD for \$20, and it's well worth the price. The disc provides over 150 photographs of completed projects and shows the typical sequence of steps. The catalog offers information on financing and pricing, over 120 floor plans, project comparisons, a \$100 rebate certificate, news articles, and much more.

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