

The TV trend of DIY has given us all the impression that renovating isn't as scary as it seems, however don't be fooled by the ease with which those teams 'knock up' an additional room.

The reality is that renovating is a long process that requires a reasonable level of know-how and patience.

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There is no denying that, once complete, most DIYers gain great satisfaction in putting their own personal mark on their property, designing, decorating and doing those renovations themselves.

You don't have to work to tradesmen's timetables and you can change your mind as often as you wish without penalty.

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Before you go putting your hard earned cash into those designer features and the latest flooring it is worth considering whether it is worth it.

homesite.com.au website suggests the more you have to do to your home, the more likely you'd be better off knocking it down and starting over.

It is important to make sure that the financial gain for doing those renovations doesn't fall short of the financial outlay.