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How to Save Big Bucks Building Your Own Home

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Summary:

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Article Body:

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In a Cost Plus scenario, the builder provides an estimate that fluctuates based on the actual

Flooring: The one that hit us hardest was the flooring estimate for \$30,000. We priced around,

Plumbing: We determined how much of our \$15,000 estimate included fixtures and were able to go

Electrical: Our electrician allowed \$2,500 for lighting fixtures which we were able to purchas

Kitchen: Our contractor estimated \$29,000 for kitchen cupboards based on mid to upper scale ca

Doors: I couldn't get past an estimate for \$7,500 for doors in the home ~ how could they just

Painting: Our contractor allowed \$5000 for painting which is not bad, but still too much. We h

Trim: The trim was priced at \$6,000, and since we were doing drywall returns on all the window

Landscaping: The quote for landscaping was \$25,000, much of that figure involved heavy machine

All totaled, we saved over \$39,000 by putting in a few hours work and doing some extra shopping

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