

How do I avoid dodgy builders?

Introduction

I'm television's Matt Allwright. When it comes to dodgy builders I've seen a lot, I've investigated a few and I've chased them down streets with a microphone....a lot.

Mr Shoddy, could I have a word? Mr Shoddy? Oh, he's gone.

If you've hired one of these fellows you'll know it's very stressful and very costly. I've known of a job to start off as a broken roof tile and end up as a massive bill!

Now to be fair, the vast majority of plumbers, decorators, and handymen out there are brilliant...but you've got to know how to spot the tiny minority who are the stinkers.

What's more, if you find a good one you still need to manage everything properly...Get those things right and you should avoid being the next horror story of empty pockets and wonky-shonky tiling.