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Manual Bi-directional Swing Door with Bi-fold Function

Bi Fold I'm told.

A Bi folding door is a type of door which opens by folding back in sections. They were usually only to be found internally and operated by connecting individual doors with strong hinges. This system limited the width of opening which they could service as all the weight was ultimately placed on one set of hinges which were connected to the main door frame. Folding doors were originally used by the Romans as excavations in Pompeii have revealed the remnants which still remain today.

Now however thanks to innovation and perseverance some excellent systems have been produced which has opened up (no pun intended) potential for a wide variety of uses. This

development has been of most advantage on the threshold of a property or where 'in meets out'. In fact by using this product the actual threshold becomes blurred. It becomes more difficult to differentiate between interior and exterior.

Bi Folding doors may also be known as accordion doors or accordion partitions. Folding doors are designed to provide quick and easy use with a pleasing visual appearance. Bi folding doors and partitions provide quick sight and sound division with a simple pull-and-latch operation. They are now available as single and paired openings. Curved track also allows the doors to be fitted on a curvature.



Boutique Aluminium Bifold Doors

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The new Magnum lock cylinder – a lock cylinder which conforms to the demanding police preferred ‘Secured by Design’



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Why not extend your garden inside?

Currently in the market there are now outstanding products which enable you to achieve this feat. Once this concept existed in only the most imaginative of imaginations but now thanks to innovation by unique individuals the 'impossible' has become possible. The initial offerings were prone to problems with inefficient locking mechanisms and difficulty with operation due to an inadequate runner track system. This led to bad press and substantial client dis-satisfaction. However since these 'primitive' early efforts the latest models are truly a creation of advanced engineering. Although there are still some 'more original' and dated examples on the market these are fast being consigned to the annals of history by the latest more high tech and up to date designs and operating systems. Reputable and professional companies are now operating freely and offering up to twenty years guarantee on their products.

When considering having Bi-Folding doors fitted one must first request the length of guarantee which is being provided and which parts (mechanisms) are insured under the guarantee. You should also be aware if any 'servicing of moving parts is required on an ongoing basis. Most folding doors may look similar but 'major' differences can occur in the 'locking systems', the runners and track and (of lesser importance) in hinging systems. When inspecting samples of these doors in a showroom open and close them continuously. Get the feel if they are operating smoothly. Are they locking easily first time? If you are happy with the system and the smoothness of product operation then conclude your research by asking for references from previous clients. Once your criteria has been fulfilled and you feel confident in what you have learned then you may proceed to purchase. However make sure you point out that you will accept 'nothing less' than the quality of the samples in the showroom.

The quality of the product (once it has been established) is not a guarantee of a successful fitting. It is for this reason you must insist on a sustained and elevated level of service right until project completion. If you have a good experience and receive a superior level of service make sure you tell your friends as you show off your new purchase on a relaxed evening when you have your first inside/outside party. This will ensure reputable companies will grow in the market while also ensuring their 'less professional' counterparts will steadily lose market share. This will also protect people just like you who have not yet had the 'vision' to supplement their homes with this wonderful creation.

Bi-Folding doors will allow clear and unobstructed access to your swimming pool. It will also make the interior space at the rear of your property feel like a pool room. This system is as much an addition to your garden as it is to your villa as it cleverly merges both together. This 'merging' can be further enhanced by placing potted plants on the actual threshold while the doors are open. This will 'trick' the mind into believing that both areas are basically one space. The benefits for barbecues or large parties must also be considered as this larger area would be ideal for large functions or gatherings.





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Nothing is more important than safety and comfort in your home.”

Yawning for an Awning

When having Bi Folding doors fitted why not go 'a little extra' and consider purchasing a Sun Awning or Canopy? This would allow you to use your outdoors in summer and would be of extra benefit if the structure is adjacent to a swimming pool. It would also add immeasurably to the exterior architecture of your Villa. These awnings come in many designs and fabrics with a multitude of colours. They can be electrically driven or manually operated. Not only would both these additions change the appearance of your garden, but they would also completely transform the interior of your home. These additions will make a 'significant' visual impact and improve the way you can use your home, They will however, cost less and take a shorter time to complete while creating minimal disruption as opposed to similar impacting structural cosmetics. These additions are now classed as 'trendy' and are becoming ever more popular. Why not be the first on your street to lead the way towards the 'great outdoors/indoors.

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