



The Best of Sun & Shade

While some of us were impatiently waiting for summer to arrive this year, others already had a jump start on the outdoor season. Long before we swept our decks and unfolded the lounge chairs, they were soaking in the sun, relaxing in the breeze and breathing in the scent of tree blossoms.

“These are just such enjoyable rooms,” says Steve Sarens of the three-season sunrooms that Sunshade has been building for Manitobans for more than 30 years. “People who have one tell us they don’t know how they ever lived without it.”

Imagine dining outdoors without the threat of mosquitoes or wasps. There’s nothing like fresh air to build up an appetite or settle in for a relaxing afternoon. Impervious to moisture, a sunroom also makes an ideal setting for a spa or a poolside oasis.

And because they’re covered, they provide the best of both the sunshine and the shade, even on especially hot days. “Our designers will create a sunroom specifically for your location to take advantage of sun exposure and airflows,” notes Sarens.

He adds that because Sunshade manufactures each sunroom at its Winnipeg plant, virtually any design is possible. This includes the ability to match rooflines, fascia and soffit of the existing home.

“If people go by and don’t notice the sunroom, then we’ve done our job,” he adds.

Most of the time, sunrooms can be installed on existing decks with minimal alterations. Sunshade’s Glastar Sunroom System, a unique “floatation” design engineered specifically for Manitoba’s shifting soil, prevents any twisting

or cracking. In fact, the company’s aluminum sunrooms are known to add considerably to the value of a house.

And best of all, they are maintenance free. Says Sarens: “Instead of spending your vacation working on your deck or cottage, you can spend your holiday relaxing in the sunroom.”

