

# Sold on easy steel framing

Builder Gino Schembri has given the thumbs up to a locally made steel-framing system that he used for the first time on a recent project

**A** BUILDER'S search for a strong framing system led him to 21st Century Steel Homes and Frames (BSA 1005219) – and he's not about to look back.

Zetram Developments' Gino Schembri used steel framing on a two-storey residential house project at Harbour Quays.

"As a builder for the past 14 years I have been using timber, but after trying steel I don't think I will go back to timber again," said Mr Schembri.

The builder used a steel frame from 21st Century Steel Homes and Frames.

"There are plenty of reasons for choosing this company," he said.

"They can give you a complete package.

"They do all the engineering, supply and erect the frames and provide all the bracing, and when it's complete they also supply me with the certificate."

Mr Schembri said it was an easy system to use.

"I don't have to chase a chippy and I also don't end up paying an extra \$5000 or more in timber because I ran short," he said.

Mr Schembri said the 21st Century steel frame was especially thick compared with other steel frames available.

"The company uses a welding system and

I will definitely be using it again," he said.

The Harbour Quays project at 210 North Quay was an architect-designed abode with 3m-high ceilings, large sliding doors and windows, a dream kitchen and fine details throughout.

Director Jay Saeedi said if homebuyers were serious about the environment they would make steel their first priority.

"A steel frame is fully recyclable," he said. "With concern about the environment and a shortage of quality timber, steel makes a good alternative."

Mr Saeedi said the company began as a home builder using steel frames in 1989 and established a number of display homes demonstrating the advantages of steel framing on each project.

In the past 10 years the company has focused on the supply and fixing of steel frames to all types of projects in Queensland and northern NSW.

"Whether your project is a simple house, a complicated mansion or a massive school, 21st Century Steel Homes and Frames has the framing-system solution to suit the design and specification," said Mr Saeedi.

"We are now offering our services and industry knowledge to homeowner-builders, general builders and developers, looking after the steel-frame components of their projects,



including posts, walls, flooring system, trusses, bearings and all fastenings.

"As a licensed building company we are eligible to site fix all the framing members to completion."

The company also undertakes engineering design and frame certification of each project through its engineer and provides Form 15 and Form 16 to certifiers so the project can move ahead without any hold-ups.

"Our welded steel-framing system saves clients' thousands of dollars since it does not move or settle," said Mr Saeedi.

For more information visit the company's factory at 24 Mercantile Court, Molendinar, or call 5574 4796 or go to [www.steelhomes.com.au](http://www.steelhomes.com.au)



Harbour Quays is the site for this new home built with a locally made steel frame