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Urban Front Tips for a beautiful and functional porch

Your porch is the first thing visitors see, setting the tone for your entire home. Urban Front, renowned for their innovative and stylish front doors, shares expert advice on making your porch both beautiful and practical. Here are tips to help you design a space that combines aesthetics with functionality.



First, create a design statement. Urban Front encourages homeowners to be bold and creative with their porch design. A well-designed porch adds significant kerb appeal, especially to contemporary or box-shaped homes, making a strong first impression.

Next, go bigger if possible. According to Urban Front, a spacious porch is a comfortable porch. Always opt for more space than you think you need to ensure visitors can stand comfortably in front of your door.

Choosing durable materials is crucial. Urban Front recommends using stone and slate for steps and landings, and wood, zinc, and stone for wall cladding to withstand the elements and maintain a stylish look.

Planning for essentials like your post box, lighting, and doorbell is another key consideration. Thoughtful placement of these items ensures there's adequate space, keeping your porch organized and clutter-free.

Symmetrical lighting adds a balanced and inviting look. Urban Front suggests installing wall lights or floor lanterns on either side of the door. Alternatively, a large pendant light in the centre of the porch ceiling can create a welcoming glow, especially if sensor-activated.

Protecting your door from the elements is essential. Urban Front advises an overhang of at least 900mm to 1m at the front and a minimum of 500mm on the sides. This shields your door from rain and sun, reducing maintenance needs and preserving its beauty.

Effective drainage is vital to prevent water buildup. Urban Front recommends designing an incline on the overhang and incorporating a drainage system to allow rainwater to escape freely from the entrance area.

Incorporating plants enhances your porch's appeal. Urban Front suggests planning to allocate space for hanging baskets and pots, adding a touch of nature to your entrance.

Mixing materials can create visual interest. Urban Front advises adding elements different from your property's frontage, such as Corten steel planters or wood trim, to provide a striking contrast and elevate the overall design.

Finally, consider including functional features if space allows. Urban Front recommends adding seating or storage solutions, such as a bench, wellington boot rack, umbrella stand, or log storage, to add both practicality and charm to your porch.

By following these expert tips from Urban Front, you can transform your porch into a stunning and functional space that makes every arrival at your home a delightful experience. Urban Front's commitment to blending style with practicality ensures your porch will be both a beautiful and welcoming entrance to your home.

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