

What is a Smart House?

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You may have dreamed of ineravtive, programmable technology that has the potential to transform the entire home into a comunicator, with networked appliances, computers, TVs, music, security, lighting, heating - and even curtains - responding to remonte commands delivered via mobile phone or keypad.

You may have, also thought of fridges that know when you are running out of butter and restock over the internet; washing machines that self-diagnose faults and dial up the part of the plumber; heating systems that pay bills via remote metering; curtains that close themselves when you are kept late at the office… well today all your dreams and thoughts are facts.

Nowadays, new housing developments are increasingly designed with integral cabling systems that facilitate precisely this type of domestic electronic networking. What to consider in a smart house is not only the cost or the feasibility but think if this technology can really deliver convenience and savings. Internet-linked fridges, for example, still mean that you have to remember to register bar codes as you take food and drink out. Not all people welcome a host of new gadgets into their home, each with its own instruction manual.

What you really need to consider is if all this complex technology makes your life easier and more pleasant. Also consider its cost and the breakdowns inconveniences. However, the most popular networking system relay in the integration of home entertainment: having the internet, music, video and TV piped into all areas goes in hand with open-plan living and flexible, interchangeable spatial layout. Interact:
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