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Thereâ€™s more to a door than meets the eye. Beautifully made custom built exterior doors, for example, arenâ€™t just about adding an attractive entrance to a property. Whether they have been custom sized from an existing door style or design, or designed and built completely from scratch, considerations of security and warmth must go into them as well.

The front and rear doors of a property are its two most vulnerable points â€“ because theyâ€™re designed to open and let a person in, theyâ€™re obviously the most natural places for intruders to try too. So the security requirements of a property are paramount when a door is being designed.

A door made from quality timber is naturally strong. Commonly weak spots may occur in the join between the door itself and the rest of the house. So when you have custom built exterior doors designed and fitted it is important to match the solidity of the door itself with a good strong frame, and a suitably well-designed method of attached the door to that frame. Using bolts and spars inserted at a range of different angles can prevent the doorjamb being easily compromised.

For older properties, or period houses, the materials used in the door are important â€“ as are weatherproofing considerations consistent with the protection of these materials. External doors fitted to older properties are sometimes required by law to be made from the original wood and iron too, so it is important to have a clear knowledge of where your property stands legally before you begin making improvements to its doors.

The location of a property may dictate the choice of materials and will certainly have an effect on the kind of weatherproofing required. Potentially, light requirements may also have an effect. custom built exterior doors inserted into properties with small windows, or with low levels of internal natural light, may benefit from glazing to add both interest and extra illumination.

A bespoke carpentry firm can play as large or as little a role in the total installation of a tailor made door as you like. If you have existing building contractors working on your property, for example, you may prefer to have them fit the door for you â€“ in which case your carpenters will simply design and build it, prime it and deliver it. Or a carpentry firm can take over the whole process, from design consultation to final hanging.

It can be wise to seek the aesthetic advice of your carpenters when designing your new exterior doors. Their experience can mould your expectations properly for the best finished look.

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Parsons Joinery designs and installs a custom built exterior doors to the precise specifications of the customer â€“ or can custom make existing designs to fit the space and security requirements involved.

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