



VELUX®

Inspiring Home Series:

Reimagine Your Porch
with Skylights

Designing Your Dream Porch or Sunroom

When we think of porches, we think of slow summer evenings, sitting in comfy chairs as we wave to neighbors and watch the world go by. Your porch or sunroom is both a space to relax and enjoy the outdoors, as well as a continuation of your living space. It truly is the best of both worlds.

So how do you make the best of both worlds even better? With skylights, of course!

But wait, skylights on a porch or in a sunroom? If the thought gives you pause, let's get right into why a skylight is the perfect addition to your porch or sunroom!





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Borrowing Daylight

A porch or sunroom in your home is a wonderful addition. With a space that embraces the elements and the best of what nature has to offer, you can create a luminous oasis right in your own home!

But even though your porch or sunroom is filled with bright, natural light, it's important to consider how that room affects the surrounding rooms. You've just created the sunniest spot in your home, but how do the rooms around it look?

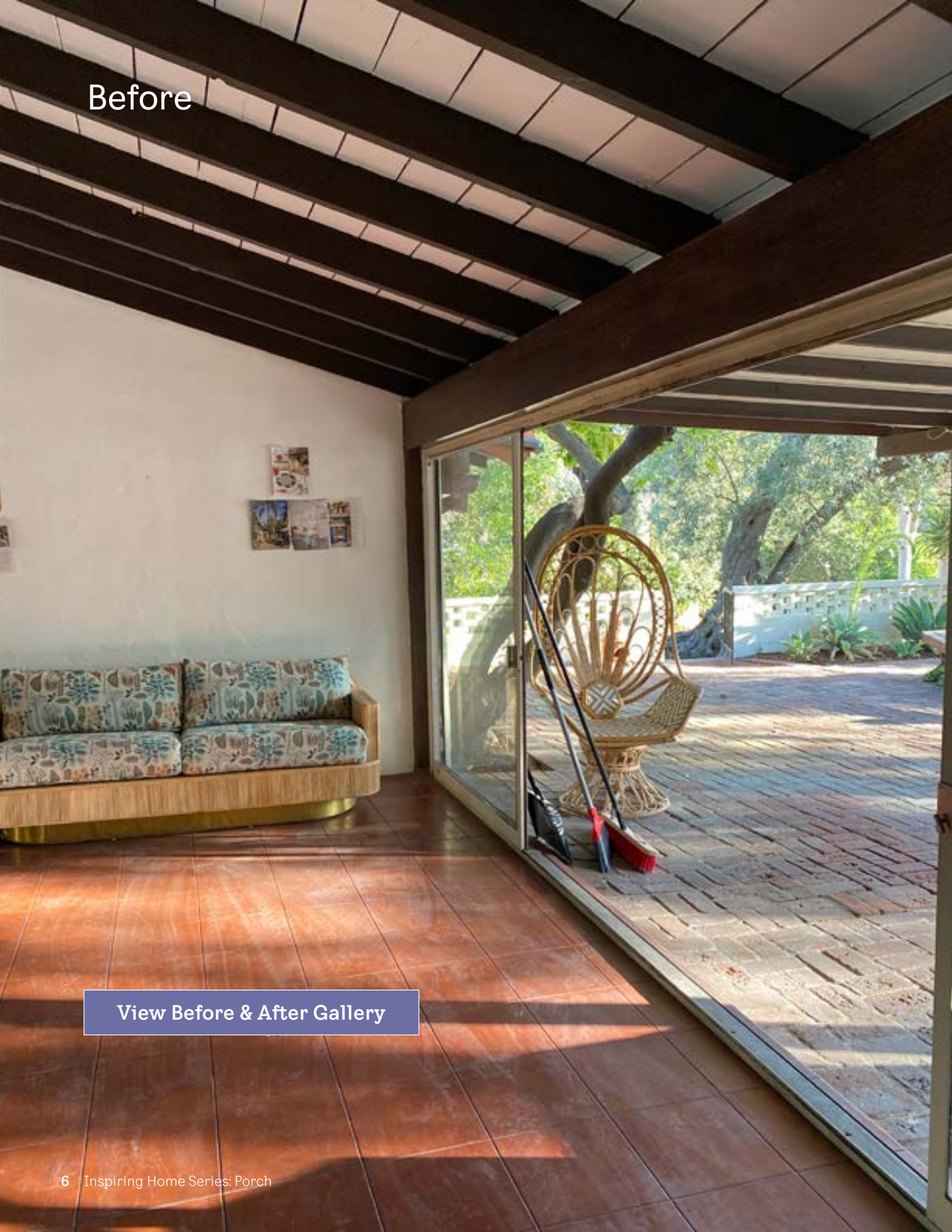
While your sunroom may be full of light, the rooms around it can actually have their natural light depleted because of the sunroom's structure. But when you strategically place skylights over existing windows and doors of your porch or sunroom, it improves the daylighting in your nearby rooms.

Essentially, you're borrowing light from your porch or sunroom to help improve the overall look of your entire space.

If you want to keep the rooms around your porch or sunroom bright and sunny, skylights are a must. This is especially true if your porch faces north. The north-facing side of the house gets the least amount of sunlight to begin with, so adding skylights helps make the most of every ray of sunshine.

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Before



[View Before & After Gallery](#)

After



Three Reasons to Love Skylights On Your Porch

1 Borrowed Light

When you add a sunroom or porch to your home, the rooms around it can become darker since daylight has to travel farther to reach them. But when you add a skylight, the surrounding rooms get brighter thanks to the borrowed light that spills through to them.

2 Ventilation

It doesn't take long for a room full of light to get hot. Venting skylights make it easy to cool down and freshen up your sunroom. With the push of a button, your skylights will open to fill your sunroom with cool, clean air.

3 Functionality

Positioned on your roof, skylights allow for uninhibited daylight to enter the space from above, letting you enjoy more freedom to rearrange the space down below. Swap your décor or change the entire layout without ever blocking natural light.





A Refreshing Take on Indoor-Outdoor Spaces

Fresh air abounds with skylights in your sunroom.

Creating an expanded livable space like a porch or sunroom not only blurs the indoor to outdoor transition of your home, it also increases its value, as well as your own personal enjoyment. Covered outdoor spaces provide many benefits and are often fully customizable to fit any family's lifestyle. And when you incorporate skylights, your only limit is your own imagination!

Now we know that adding skylights to your porch or sunroom can help brighten the rooms next to them. But did you know that venting skylights can help bring even more earthy benefits to your space?

If you're working with a closed-in space like a sunroom, you may consider how warm it can get on those sunny summer days. With certain venting skylights, all it takes is the push of a button for cool, fresh air to come flowing in.

While fixed skylights are great for open air environments like a porch, there are times when venting skylights would be more beneficial. For starters, venting skylights can eliminate the need for ceiling fans on a porch. So, when you look up, all you see are amazing sky views.

Another thing to consider on the porch are your indoor/outdoor activities. If you're out grilling on a day without any breeze, for example, smoke can get trapped. Being able to open the skylights allows the smoke to filter out so you can focus on the food, not the fog!



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Your Life Brightened with Natural Light



Natural light can enrich your health and well-being, and bring a whole lot of positivity.

At VELUX, we believe in promoting daylight and fresh air because of their restorative and transformative powers. Daylight is the source of nutrients that power us through the day, rebalances our circadian rhythm, keeps us healthy, and gives us a more positive feeling. So, let's take a closer look at how natural light can really brighten your life with all its benefits.

Vitamin D Storage

We need Vitamin D for our bones to stay strong, and to help prevent certain cancers, heart disease, depression, and weight gain. Oftentimes though, we can't relax in natural light to get enough Vitamin D our body needs. So, when you can't go out, bring light in.



Higher Productivity

Feel like you're dragging in the morning, or you can't seem to get those last bits of chores around the house done? This is your body letting you know it needs more natural light. Studies have shown that the more we work in natural light, the higher energy levels we have compared to artificial light.



More Sound Sleep

Nothing feels as good as waking up from a restful night's sleep. You feel as if you're instantly ready to tackle the day without coffee or a yawn in sight. Natural light can help you get there! Sunlight is an environmental indicator that helps set the phases of our body's natural circadian rhythm.



Vision

Our eyes are put under constant strain from computer screens, phones, and even harsh artificial light. Natural light aids in our ability to clearly see without added strain, as well as helping eye development in children and young adults.

Before



After



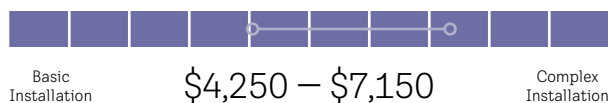
Skylights for Your Porch or Sunroom

The VELUX Solar Powered Fresh Air Skylight System

When you pair natural light with fresh air, you open your sunroom to a world of crisper, clean air and brighter days.



New Solar Powered Skylight System



Replacement Solar Powered Skylight System



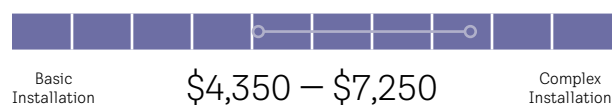




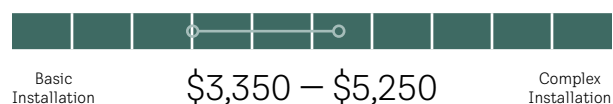
The VELUX Electric Fresh Air Skylight System

Let abundant natural light flow through your porch while blocking heat. The venting feature of this electric skylight reduces the need for air conditioning and improves indoor air quality.

New Electric Skylight System



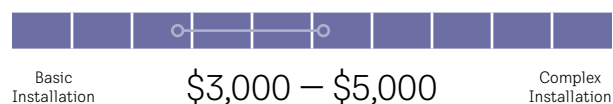
Replacement Electric Skylight System



The VELUX Fixed Skylight System

With versatile sizing and a clean exterior profile, this skylight provides abundant natural light to your porch without obstructing the roofline.

New Fixed Skylight System

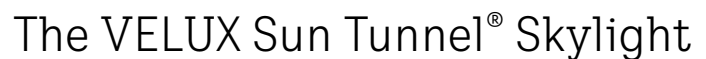
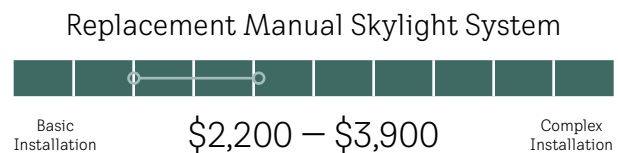


Replacement Fixed Skylight System

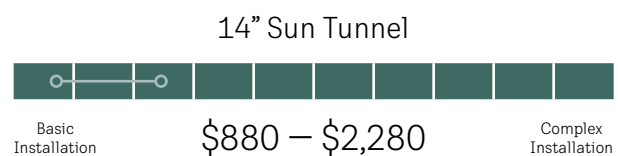




The manual-venting feature of this skylight brings all the light into your space, while letting go of stale air. An operator hook makes it easy to open and close the skylight to improve your sunroom's air quality.



Even small spaces deserve to be awash in natural light. If your sunroom cannot accommodate a traditional skylight, choose a Sun Tunnel Skylight to light your space with clean light.



Complete light control.

Solar-Powered
Remote-Controlled
Shade
Pre-Installed
for Total Light &
Climate Control

Solar-Powered Shade Pairing

VELUX shades allow you to control the light, enhance your decor, and improve energy efficiency.

VELUX Skylight Systems include a **pre-installed Room Darkening, Double-Pleated Solar Shade** for the very best skylight experience.

- Solar-powered and remote-controlled
- Blackout cloth with honeycomb structure
- Neat pleats

In-Stock Shade¹ Standard with VELUX Skylight System models

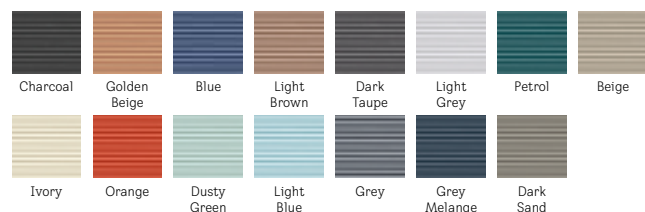
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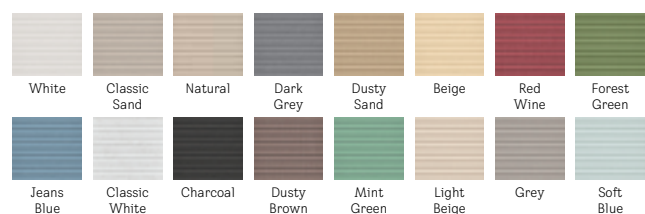
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Special Order² Ships separately from skylight

Room-Darkening Double-Pleated



Light-Filtering Single-Pleated



¹ **In-Stock:** Solar skylight shades are sold separately (2-4 business days) and/or factory installed as a part of VELUX Skylight Systems (see page 3). Custom sizes are sold separately as special order. ² **Special Order:** No factory installation for special order skylight shades. Shades ship separately: skylights 14 business days.





Talk Skylights with a Design & Product Advisor

The experts to help you reimagine your space with skylights.

VELUX Design & Product Advisors are waiting to help you create the room of your dreams, from the first steps of your skylight journey to final installation. Simply schedule an appointment to meet with your own personal consultant who can answer your questions and talk you through the entire process — all for free!

Whether you have questions about how a skylight works, where they should go in your home, or even installer recommendations, VELUX Design & Product Advisors are here to help.

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Transforming spaces since 1941. For over 80 years, VELUX has helped people envision and achieve the transformation of spaces using daylight and fresh air through the roof. Our product program includes skylights, Sun Tunnel® skylights, decorative shades and roof windows, as well as installation and smart home solutions. By creating brighter, healthier, more sustainable places to live, work, learn, and play we enable a better everyday life for people around the world. We work globally with sales and manufacturing operations in more than 40 countries and around 11,500 employees worldwide. The VELUX Group is owned by VKR Holding A/S, a limited company wholly owned by non-profit, charitable foundations (THE VELUX FOUNDATIONS) and family.

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