





START YOUR SEARCH EARLY

If you want to be moved in by December, you'll need to be active in the market by September/October 2025. Properties often sell within a month, and you'll need another 30 - 60 days for settlement.

GET FINANCE PRE-APPROVED

The fastest way to secure a home is to show sellers
you're serious. Pre-approval:
- Speeds up negotiations
- Reduces delays once you sign a contract
- Gives you a clear budget so you can act quickly
when the right home appears

BE READY TO MOVE QUICKLY ON OFFERS

Buyer demand on the Peninsula and across Moreton Bay remains strong. When the right property comes up, move fast with your offer. Homes in this region often spend just 3 - 4 weeks on the market, so waiting too long could mean missing out.

UNDERSTAND THE SETTLEMENT PROCESS

Once your offer is accepted, most contracts in Queensland require 30 - 60 days for settlement. This covers finance approval, conveyancing, and final inspections. If you want to settle by mid-December, you'll need to sign a contract by early November 2025.

FACTOR IN THE HOLIDAY PERIOD

Banks, solicitors, and government offices close over Christmas. If your settlement date falls on a public holiday, it will be pushed into the new year. Plan for a mid-December settlement at the latest.

PLAN YOUR

Removalists, cleaners, and trades are in high demand at the end of the year. Book them in advance to avoid last-minute stress. The earlier you lock in your moving arrangements, the smoother your handover will be.

Quick Checklist to Buy Before Christmas 2025

NOW

Arrange finance pre-approval

SEPTEMBER /OCTOBER

Actively search and attend inspections

BY EARLY

Aim to have your offer **NOVEMBER** accepted and contract signed

BY MID-**DECEMBER** Settlement complete - move in before Christmas

FINAL TIP

Contact Us

Buying a property is easier when you've got local experts guiding the way. Our team at Place Redcliffe Peninsula can help you find your next place and support you through every step.



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