

A&E Flip this House

Tackling one of the most exciting aspects of today's high-stakes real estate market - the transformation of an eyesore into a profit-making beauty - A&E's hour-long "docu-soap" follows the travails of two real-estate developers in the hot housing markets of San Antonio and Atlanta, where each boasts a team of characters that buys homes, renovates them, then flips them for a profit. It sounds simple, but sparks fly and tempers are high before the fixer-uppers sell to happy buyers.

In San Antonio, Armando Montelongo heads up a family business, Montelongo House Buyers. Five years ago, he rolled into town on his last tank of gas; today, he is a hard-driving entrepreneur flipping over 300 houses a year. When faced with a renovation disaster, Armando follows the advice of his Tai Kwon Do Master and tells himself, "Yes, I can." Wife Veronica is a redheaded beauty with a quirky sense of humor and a killer sales instinct. Brother and partner David is the level-headed half, the construction expert and sometime peacekeeper between his own wife, Melina, and Armando. Melina is in charge of marketing - she's young and pretty, creative and full of fiery enthusiasm.

After graduating from Yale University and playing for the NFL, Nathaniel "Than" Merrill decided to tackle the real estate business. A born leader, full of big ideas, Than saw money to be made flipping houses in New Haven, Connecticut. He called on his childhood friend, Paul Esajian, and together they created CT Homes. Paul is the construction expert and creative force behind all of their real estate renovations. He persuaded his big brother, JD, to join the team as project manager. With his hands-on renovation expertise, JD knows how to motivate the construction crew and get the job done. Their latest recruit is Jeremy Black - a former Abercrombie & Fitch model with a head for numbers. Jeremy is Than's right hand man in the search for good investment properties. This model turned acquisitions expert still has a lot to learn - his good looks and easy smile may charm the ladies, but not Than and Paul. Lori Parks is in charge of sales. When the going gets tough and a wrestling match won't smooth things over, she shakes up the boys club with her feminine touch and a serious reality check.

Angie Wilford left a successful career in the corporate world to try her hand in real estate. In just two years, she made it to the top of her field as a sales agent then turned her eye to real estate investing. While she may be a flipping novice, what she lacks in experience she makes up for in hard work. This devoted wife and mom of two is taking Atlanta by storm, buying, renovating and flipping houses for a serious profit. Angie's partner in business and in life is her husband Harris. Beneath his cool demeanor is a can-do spirit - the perfect combination for a no-nonsense project manager. Harris side-steps the drama and focuses on getting the job done on time and under budget. Angie's assistant, Danielle Anderson, is also a working mom with serious professional ambition. She's back to work and back to school, going for her real estate broker's license. Angie is her number one supporter and motivator - she's counting on her to take on more responsibility before Angie's work load gets out of control. Scott Tremmel, one of Atlanta's top landscape designers does more than lay fresh sod. His first-rate designs bring Angie's renovations to a new level and capture what every seller is after - irresistible curb appeal.