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It seems that real slate roofing has gotten a bad rap lately. I've heard lots of negative comments and one stands out in my mind, "I hired someone to repair my slate roof but it leaked worse after they left" Has anyone else heard or experienced this? Walking on a real slate roof is one of the worst things that you can do as the weight of a workman will break the slates they step on. Often this damage isn't seen until months later.

Another common complaint is how expensive real slate is. Did you know that real Vermont slate roofing will last 150 years? Compare that with an asphalt roof that will only last 30 years that will need replaced 5 times in that 150 year period. Talk about money savings, especially when considering inflation.

I am curious for other peoples comments on why or why not they would choose a real slate roof.