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Does Merchandising Work?

Scenic World Case Study



The Retail Area Before















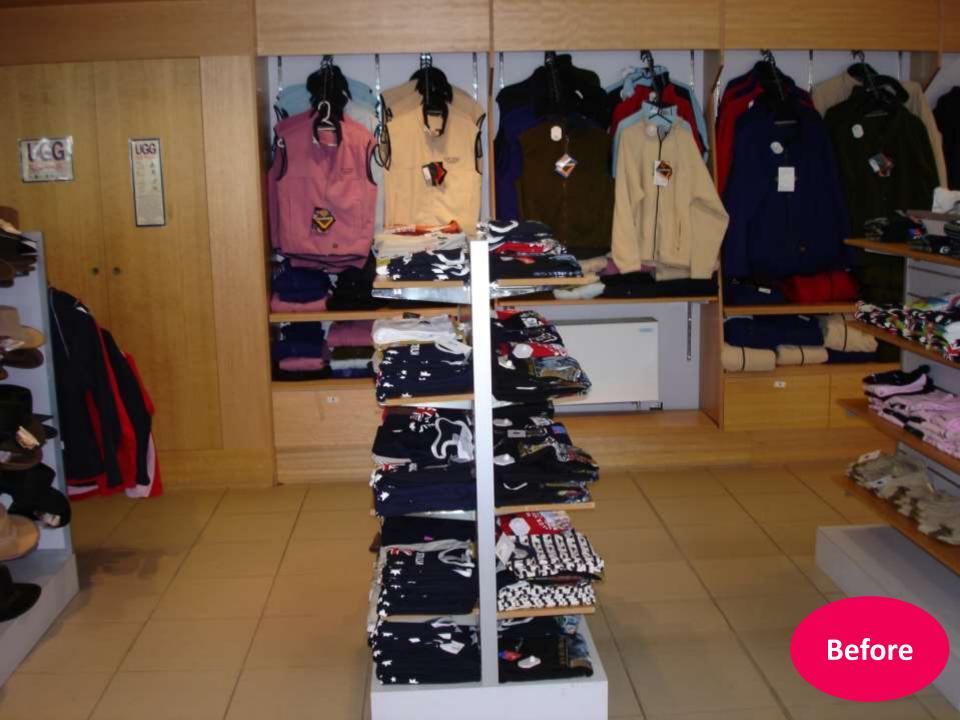






















After Shots

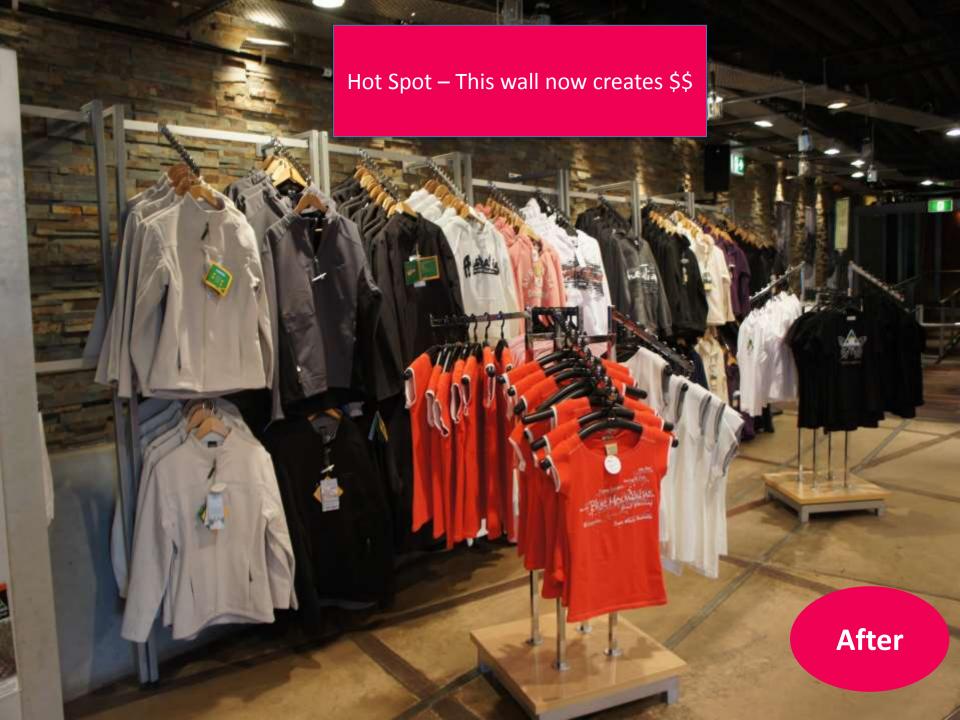
Using the same fixtures & equipment (10 years old)

















































Does Merchandising work?

Yes! Millions were made

Scenic World Results 2011 - 2012

Sales 143% increase

Units 123% increase

Margin 161% increase

Results 2012 - 2013

Sales 28% increase

Units 21% increase

Margin 27% increase





Strategies:

- 1) Dumped all dead stock
- 2) Applied category management techniques
- 3) Trained the staff & mgt in Visual Merchandising
- 4) Hired a "gun" to lead the showroom floor staff
- 5) Created a retail promotional schedule
- 6) Designed in-house product for best margin & brand
- 7) Made things simple
- 8) Quarterly monitoring by Boom