



Solar Living: From Concept to Reality

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Note: The title "Everything Under the Sun" is a translation of the original Polish title "Wszystko pod s?o?cem", which is a play on the phrase "everything under the sun" and the name of the author, Ana Penyas.

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