



Start Thinking Page

This page is designed to turn your mind from square footage to color, style and texture. This worksheet is an overview of some of the main items as well as some items you might not have thought of that you may want in your home. It should be used to help you start determining your preferences. As you revisit models and look through magazines take note or pictures, if permissible, to bring to your appointment to better communicate your wants to your consultant. This worksheet is a great starting point to help you and your consultant develop the “feel” of your home. This worksheet will also give you some ideas for options that you will want to be sure to ask about.

Please realize that not every product you see in models or magazines or every option mentioned on this list is available as an option with your builder nor is every option your builder offers listed here.

Exterior

Brick

What colors of brick do you like?

What colors of mortar do you like? Grey, Buff, or White?

Stone:

Do you have or want stone on your exterior elevations?

What colors of stone do you like?

Do you want your stone to contrast or blend with your brick?

Do you like your stone chopped into uniform shapes or do you like random stone shapes?

Front Entryway:

What kind of front doors do you like?

Do you want glass in your front door?

Do you want a bricked front porch?

Other exterior items:

Do you want to add shutters to your elevation?

What kind of garage door style do you like?

Do you want to extend or cover your patio?

Do you want to add gutters or add more gutters to your house?



Do you want to add a gas line for a grill on your patio?

Do you want to add a sprinkler system?

Do you want to add electrical outlets for holiday lighting?

Interior

Kitchen

Cabinets:

What stain colors appeal to you?

What wood species do you like?

What cabinet height do you want for your upper cabinet?

Do you want glass inserts in some of your upper cabinets?

Are there any special features you want on your cabinets, for example, pot and pans drawers, pull out shelving, etc...?

Do you want to add cabinets in your utility or above the commode in a bathroom?

Would you like to replace a knee space in bathrooms with a bank of drawers?

Countertops:

What countertop material appeals to you, for example laminate, granite, solid surface, etc...?

What kind of edge do you like on your countertops; for example square, bevel, etc...?

Plumbing:

Do you want an undermount or drop-in sink?

What kind of metal finish do you prefer on your faucets, for example Oil Rubbed Bronze, Stainless Steel, Chrome, etc...?

Backsplashes:

What kind of backsplash material do you like? For example, laminate, tile, tumbled marble, etc.

Do you want to add inserts or decorative accents?

Appliances:

What color of appliances interest you, for example, black, white, stainless, etc...?

What kinds of features are important to you in some of your appliances, for example convection or self cleaning oven, venting to the exterior, etc...?



If permitted, do you want Gas or Electric for your cook top and/or oven?

Do you want to add a trash compactor?

Do you want built in appliances?

Do you want double ovens?

Bath

Bathrooms:

Do you want a separate shower and tub?

Do you want a jetted tub?

What kind of surround do you want for your shower and tub, for example, acrylic, cultured marble, and tile, slate or marble of many sizes with and with out decorative inserts.

What kind of countertops do you want in your bathrooms?

What kind of plumbing fixtures and finishes do you want?

Do you prefer obscured glass or glass blocks in your window?

Flooring

Think about what kind of flooring you want in the areas listed below, for example tile, wood, slate, vinyl, carpet etc...

Entry

Hallways and/or Traffic areas

Kitchen

Master Bathroom

Secondary Bathrooms

Dining room

Game room

Study



Tile:

Do you want to turn your tile on the diagonal or add decorative inserts?

What size of tile do you like?

Carpet:

What kind of carpet is right for you, for example, textured, Frieze, Berber, etc?

What kind of pad do you want beneath your carpet, for example, a thick pad, one with allergen resistance, etc...?

Stair Parts and Trim:

Do you want wrought iron spindles?

Do you want a stained starter step?

Do you want crown molding in some rooms? Which rooms?

Do you want picture molding, chair railing or wainscoting in any rooms?

Do you want your trim to be stained or painted?

Wiring and Lighting:

Do you want under cabinet lighting?

Do you want pendant lights anywhere in your home?

Do you want ceiling fans in all of your bedrooms?

Do you want surround sound pre-wire and/or speakers in any rooms?

Do you want any outlets in non-standard areas, for example, the ceiling of your media room for a projector, a 220 outlet in your garage, etc?

Fireplaces:

Do you want a gas line for your fireplace?

Do you want decorative gas logs?

What kind of fireplace surround appeals to you; for example, Stone, Brick, Cast stone, Tile, etc...?

Do you want your mantel with legs and/or stained?



Utility:

Would you like extra cabinets or built-in shelving?

Do you need a gas line for your dryer?

Would you like a sink in your laundry room?

Will you have need for a second refrigerator with a water line here?