

Home Tour Checklist for Buyers

Tip: Bring this checklist to each showing, jot down notes, and rate the home 1-10.
This will help you compare homes later

Exterior & Curb Appeal

- ___ First impressions: How does the home look from the street? _____
- ___ Roof condition: Any missing shingles, sagging, or signs of age? _____
- ___ Exterior: Paint, siding, or stucco in good shape? _____
- ___ Driveway & walkways: Cracks or drainage issues? _____

Landscaping

- ___ Well maintained? _____
- ___ Any overgrown trees near the home? _____
- ___ Gutters & drainage: Clear and directing water away from the home? _____

Interior – First Impressions

- ___ General smell: Musty, smoky, or pet odors? _____
- ___ Natural light: Is there enough in the main living areas? _____
- ___ Floor plan: Does it flow well for your needs? _____
- ___ Noise: Street traffic, neighbors, or inside plumbing/AC? _____

Living Areas

- ___ Flooring: Condition of carpet, tile, or wood floors? _____
- ___ Walls & ceilings: Cracks, stains, or evidence of leaks? _____
- ___ Windows: Easy to open/close? _____ Double-paned? _____ Screens intact? _____
- ___ Doors: Open/close smoothly? _____ Locks function _____

Kitchen

- ___ Layout: Enough counter and cabinet space? _____
- ___ Appliances: Age, brand, and condition (included in sale?) _____
- ___ Sink & faucets: Water pressure, leaks under the sink? _____
- ___ Electrical: Enough outlets? _____ GFCI near sinks and other water sources? _____
- ___ Ventilation: Working range hood or vent? _____

Bathrooms

- ___ Toilets: Flush properly, stable on floor? _____
- ___ Sinks, tubs, showers: Check for cracks, leaks, or water stains. _____
- ___ Water pressure & hot water: Adequate? _____
- ___ Ventilation: Exhaust fan or window? _____
- ___ Caulking & grout: Mold, mildew, or gaps? _____

Bedrooms

- ___ Closet space: Enough storage? Doors work properly? _____
- ___ Windows: Safety locks, easy to open in case of emergency. _____
- ___ Size & layout: Fits your furniture and needs? _____

Systems & Safety

- ___ HVAC: Age of system, does it turn on quietly? _____
- ___ Water heater: Age, leaks, or rust around base? _____
- ___ Electrical: Enough outlets, no exposed wiring? _____
- ___ Smoke & carbon monoxide detectors present? _____
- ___ Plumbing: Check under sinks, look for slow drains. _____

Attic, or Garage

- ___ Attic: Adequate insulation, signs of pests, roof leaks? _____
- ___ Garage: Door opener works, cracks in floor, enough space? _____

Outside the Home

- ___ Fencing & yard: Secure and in good condition? _____
 - ___ Size of the backyard suitable to your needs _____
 - ___ Patio/lanai: Cracks, screens torn, or pest issues? _____
 - ___ Pool/spa (if applicable): Condition of water, equipment, decking? _____
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Neighborhood & Surroundings

- ___ Street traffic: Quiet or busy? _____
 - ___ Parking: Enough for residents & guests? _____
 - ___ Nearby noise: Schools, highways, trains, or airports? _____
 - ___ Community: HOA rules, amenities, and upkeep? _____
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- ___ In a good school zone that meets my kids needs _____
 - ___ Information on crime in Sarasota County 941-316-1201, Manatee County 941-747-3011 ext 2260 _____

Your Personal Fit

- ___ Commute: How long to work, schools, or daily activities? _____
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- ___ Lifestyle: Does it fit your needs (entertaining, pets, kids, etc.)? _____
 - ___ Gut feeling: Can you see yourself living here? _____

Additional Notes
