



Preparing Your Home for Photos



General

- Turn on all light fixtures and replace any burnt-out bulbs
- Turn off all fans (ceiling and other)
- Adjust window treatments to show off a beautiful view, yard, and pool or hide imperfections
- Remove personal photographs
- Clean and dust well; clear clutter
- Organize closets and storage areas
- Touch up paint
- Hide trash cans
- Remove small floor rugs to reveal flooring
- Hide pets and their belongings

Exterior

- Hide vehicles and shut garage doors
- Tidy front porch
- Clear flower beds of weeds, debris, and decaying plants; remove empty planters
- Mow if needed and clean up lawn clippings/leaves
- Pick up any toys, hoses, equipment, etc.
- Arrange patio furniture neatly and add decorative pillows if available
- Clean pool and turn on any water features
- Clean up after pets





Kitchen

- Clear counter; try to limit to one small appliance on counter at most
- Remove dish towels and clear sink of dishes
- Remove magnets and pictures from refrigerator
- Limit dining room table(s) to one center piece and/or decorative place settings
- Remove high chairs and booster seats

Bedrooms

- Make beds and arrange pillows neatly; ensure bed skirt is neat and wrinkle free
- Clear dressers and bedside tables; store electronic device chargers
- Remove wall stickers, posters, and personalized name décor
- Neatly arrange any items under the bed that can be seen



Living Room

- Remove stacks of magazines and newspapers
- Clean fireplace
- Clear coffee table, end tables, mantels, etc.
- Arrange couch cushions and pillows neatly
- Remove any kids' toys

Bathrooms

- Clear counters and hide toiletry items, including those in shower/tub
- Remove dirty towels
- Hang color coordinated towels neatly
- Hide plungers, toilet brushes, etc.
- Ensure all toilet seats and lids are down
- Clean mirrors



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