25 Staging Tips to Maximize the Value of Your Home







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Throughout the House:

- 1. Open the draperies and pull up the shades and let in the sunlight.
- 2. Create a positive mood. Turn on all lights, day or night. Open the curtains during the day.
- 3. Install higher wattage light bulbs to show your home brightly in its best light. Turn on all lights.
- 4. Remove all clutter from each room to visually enlarge them. Especially all flat surfaces.
- 5. Create the illusion of spaciousness.
- 6. If you have a fireplace, highlight it in your decorating.
- 7. Keep your home dusted and vacuumed at all times.
- 8. Have a family emergency "game plan" to get the home in order quickly if necessary.
- 9. Air out your home one half hour before the showing if possible.
- 10. Lightly spray the room with air freshener so that it has a chance to diffuse and air before the buyer arrives.
- 11. Set the scene by setting the table! Highlight the potential of your dining room by setting a grand dining table.
- 12. Shampoo all carpets and vacuum them daily.
- 13. If the carpet does not clean up well you should replace it.



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In The Bedrooms:

- 14. Create a master "suite" effect in your decorating.
- 15. Make sure that beds are made and the linens and curtains are fresh and clean.
- 16. Organize your closets, remove unnecessary items and put them in storage.
- 17. Improve traffic flow through every room and create a feeling of spaciousness in every room by removing unnecessary furniture, knick knacks, hobby items, children's items, etc.

In The Bathrooms:

- 18. Bathrooms should always be kept spotlessly clean.
- 19. Do not leave towels around and wipe down the shower areas after each use.
- 20. Re-caulk if the caulking it not sparkling white.
- 21. Put out fresh towels and decorative soap for showings.

In The Kitchen:

- 22. The Kitchen should always be kept spotlessly clean.
- 23. Expand your counter space by removing small appliances.
- 24. Highlight an eat-in area in your kitchen with a table set for dinner.

