



Questions for the homeowner

Outside the house

1. What is the most important feature of this house
2. What is the best feature of the site
3. What view is best
4. Why the new house
5. What concerns do you have about the house
6. Happy face budget, sad face budget
7. Good, better, best quality
8. Quality, quantity, cost
9. Where will you spend the most time?
10. Is green design important?
11. How much interaction between the in-doors and out-of-doors is desirable, and in which rooms or spaces?
12. Do you see the exterior landscape as formal, casual, or natural?
13. What requirements do you have for outdoor activities?
Spa, grill, entertaining, screen porch
14. What time of day do you spend outside, hot tub.... other
15. What do you want people to say about your house when they pull up?
cozy, impressive, grand... natural, rustic...
16. Is topographic information available- what is your thought about final grades around house- transitions , universal design , ramps, handicapped access,

INSIDE THE HOUSE

17. Who are the residents?
Children:
Pets
Guests:
18. Year round or vacation/ second
19. is this the "it house"
20. Is resale an issue- how long in this house

21. Current house- size / style / history
22. What words would you use to describe your interior style
23. What should the predominate feeling of the house be?
(Casual, formal, messy, neat, rustic, polished, country, modern, classic)

Sensitivities

24. List any health related issues, imparities. Limitations....
25. Should handicapped accessibility be a consideration?

Kitchen

- 26 What times of the day and to what extent do you use the kitchen?
- 27 How many people should be able to use the kitchen at the same time?
- 28 Who cooks?
- 29 Will the kitchen be used for eating as well as for cooking?
- 30 Should the kitchen be able to accommodate people gathering in it?
- 31 What appliances are necessary?
- 32 Do you require a double or single wall oven?
- 33 Is there an arrangement of appliances and work spaces that suits you best?
- 34 Are there particular size requirements for appliances?
- 35 Do you like to be able to look out of the window while working in the kitchen?
- 36 Do you like a bright or sunlit kitchen?
- 37 How do you deal with waste and garbage?
- 38 Where and how would you like to store your food?
- 39 How much cupboard, drawer and counter space do you need?
- 40 Do you like kitchen utensils, pots and pans to be visible or hidden?
- 41 What non-food items do you store in the kitchen?
- 42 Do you want a desk in the kitchen? A TV? Other non-kitchen items?

Dining

- 43 What sort of feeling should the dining area have?
- 44 Is the dining area a single or multi-purpose place?
- 45 Does a formal dining area need to be separate from the normal family dining area?
- 46 How many people should the dining area accommodate?

47. What furniture or storage requirements do you have for this room?
48. Should there be physical access to the outside from this room?

Master Bedroom

49. Do you like to wake up in a bright and or sunlit room?
50. Do you like to be able to look outside when lying in bed?
51. What is the size of the bed?
52. Do you prefer windows, a fan, or an air conditioner for air circulation?
53. What are the privacy requirements of the bedroom from the outside and from the rest of the house? What floor level is preferred?
54. What are the storage requirements?
55. Will dressers, chests of drawers and armoires be used for non-hanging clothes storage or will this type of storage be built in?
56. Do you like a separate dressing area?
57. Does the bedroom also need to function as a study, TV room, or sitting room?
58. Would you feel comfortable if the bedroom had a cathedral area, or would you prefer a flat ceiling?

Master Bathroom

59. What are the special qualities you like in a bathroom?
60. Does it need to be especially bright or roomy?
61. How private should the bathroom be from the rest of the house and from the outside?
62. Do you prefer fans or windows for air circulation?
63. Do you like to be able to see outside of a window while showering, washing, or using the toilet?
64. Do you use the bathroom in hurried or leisurely manner?
65. Do you prefer showers or baths?
66. Would you like room for more than one in the tub and/or shower?
67. Do you use the bathroom to dress or undress?
68. Do you have a preference for a particular brand of fixtures?
69. What requirements do you have for mirrors?
70. Do you prefer a linen closet in the bathroom?
71. What are your other storage requirements?
72. Do you like acrylic shower/tub units, solid surfacing or ceramic tiled

shower walls?

73. Would you desire a separate shower?

74. Would you desire a whirlpool tub?

Other Bedrooms

75. Are bunk beds used?

76. What are the privacy requirements of the bedroom from the outside and from the rest of the house?

77. What are the storage requirements?

78. Will dressers, chests or drawers and armoires be free standing furniture or will the storage these provide be built in?

79. Do you like a separate dressing area?

80. Does the bedroom also need to function as a study, TV room, or sitting room?

81. What sleeping accommodations will be necessary for other family members in the future?

Other Bathrooms

82. Would there be a bathroom attached to one or more bedrooms?

83. How private should the bathroom be from the rest of the house and from the outside?

Other Stuff

84. What bugs you about your existing house?

85. What do you love about this house or someone else's?

86. Are you neat or messy?

87. How do you feel about mirrors?

88. What is your favorite metallic finish? Copper, brass, pewter,

89. Hobby/ Craft?

90. Fireplaces;

91. Wood burning, gas inserts, raised hearth, flush with floor, mantel of wood- stone, brick.... Attach picture

92. Cool Ideas

93. What not to do

94. Must Haves

95. IMPORTANT STUFF

96. Show off
97. Forget anything
98. Built a home before?