

SHOOT PREPARATION TO-DO LIST

A tidy home shoots beautifully. Work through the list below before your appointment. **Gold checkboxes are suggestions** that elevate the final images.

KITCHEN

- ☐ Remove dishrags, soaps, bottles, dishes, containers, small appliances, and any other clutter from counters and sink
- ☐ **SUGGESTION** Place a bowl of fresh fruit on the counter or island
- ☐ **SUGGESTION** Fresh flowers or a small plant near the sink or window

LIVING / FAMILY / GREAT ROOM

- ☐ Remove remote controls, magazines, books, knick-knacks, cables, cords, garbage cans, clothing, hats, and other clutter
- ☐ **SUGGESTION** A few new throw pillows to add color
- ☐ **SUGGESTION** Fold a soft throw blanket across the sofa arm

BATHROOMS

- ☐ Remove everything from countertops. Scrub every surface until it shines
- ☐ Remove scales, hampers, floor rugs, toilet seat covers, and toiletries
- ☐ Hang fresh towels
- ☐ **SUGGESTION** New, fluffy white towels

LIGHTS & FANS

- ☐ Confirm all light bulbs work and match each other. Non-fluorescent is best. All fluorescent is better than a mix
- ☐ Turn on all lights and the gas fireplace
- ☐ Open curtains and blinds. Remove heavy drapes when feasible to let in more light
- ☐ Clean windows inside and out
- ☐ Turn off all ceiling fans

DINING ROOM

- ☐ Clean tables and chairs. Push in all chairs
- ☐ **SUGGESTION** Flowers for the table
- ☐ **SUGGESTION** Set one place with simple linens and dishware

BEDROOMS

- ☐ Make beds and fluff pillows. Aim for posh hotel style with no wrinkles on the bedspread
- ☐ Remove items from under the bed if visible from any angle
- ☐ Remove clothes, shoes, toys, clutter, and rugs
- ☐ Clear nightstands of books, clocks, and other clutter
- ☐ **SUGGESTION** New bedding in a classic, neutral color

CLEANING: ALL ROOMS

- ☐ Sweep, mop, and vacuum all floors. Do not skip edges and corners
- ☐ Scrub and dust every surface until it gleams
- ☐ Use spot remover on carpets where needed. Spot Shot works well
- ☐ **SUGGESTION** Have all carpets professionally cleaned

EXTERIOR

- ☐ Remove all vehicles and trashcans from the driveway and from in front of the house
- ☐ Clear the yard of toys, tools, hoses, sports equipment, and trampolines
- ☐ Remove and hide the grill cover. Clean the grill
- ☐ Straighten deck furniture and open the umbrella
- ☐ Clean the pool and turn on pool lights
- ☐ For twilight shoots, confirm all exterior bulbs work, match each other, and are turned on
- ☐ **SUGGESTION** Edge the lawn, plant flowers, lay new barkdust

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