

### 7 SIMPLE TIPS PRESENTED BY

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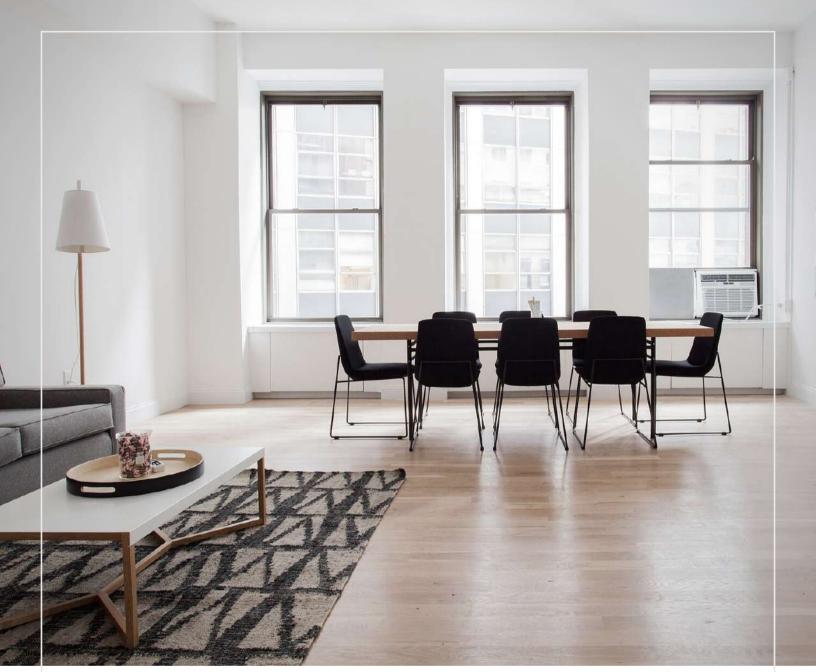
# A few hundred dollars, spent on just a few key things can drastically increase the value of your house by thousands COMPASS



### TIP #1 PAINT THE WALLS

#### **NEUTRALIZE YOUR HOME FOR BUYERS**

Buyers have a tough time visualizing themselves living in a home that has a different design scheme than they're used to. So make it easy for buyers by giving them a neutral color palette to work with. Fresh paint will also brighten the home, make it appear new, and mask any offensive smells.



### TIP #2 CREATE MORE SPACE

#### **OPEN FLOOR PLANS ARE IN**

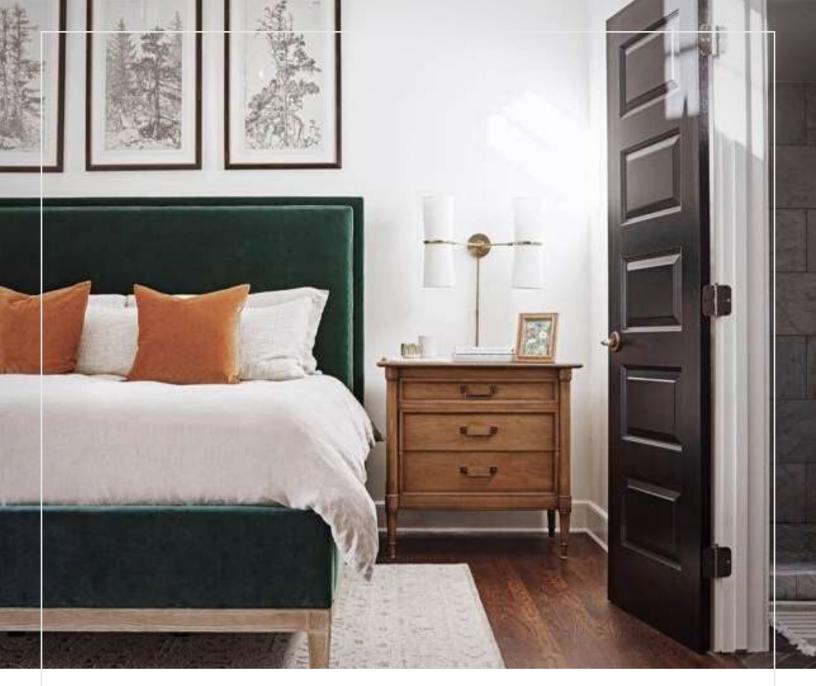
Anything that opens the space and creates a sense of flow in the house is generating a response from buyers right now. Just by rearranging or removing furniture pieces, you can really modernize the look and feel of your home.



### TIP #3 HIRE A GARDENER

#### **CURB APPEAL COUNTS**

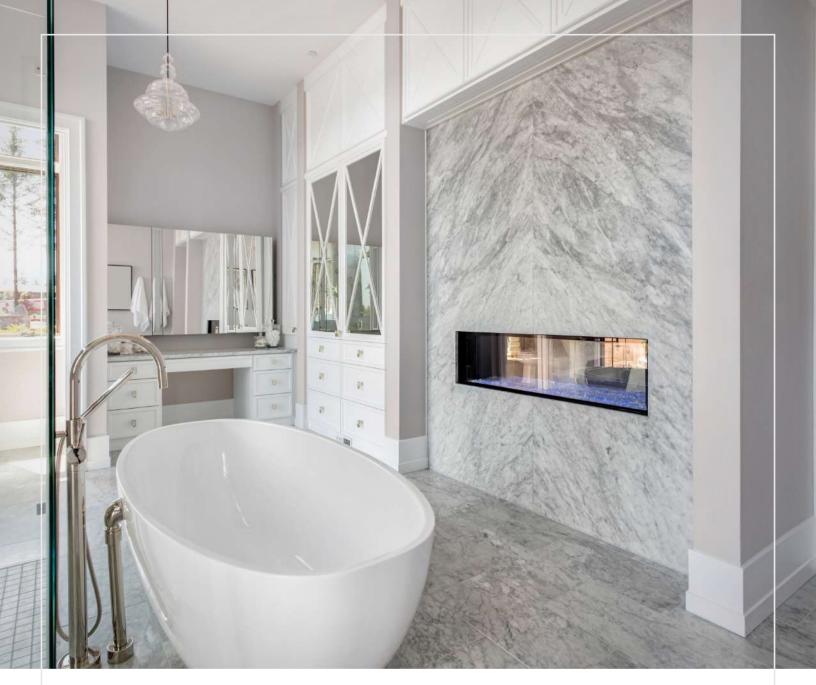
Mow the lawn, trim the shrubs, and cut the trees. Unsightly curb appeal can easily lower the perceived value of your home. A \$400-\$500 investment in landscaping can yield four times that!



# TIP #4 DEFINE THE SPACE

#### **REMOVE ALL QUESTION MARKS**

Undefined spaces create doubt in the mind of a buyer. And doubt can kill a sale before it even starts. Instead, make sure that all spaces are clearly defined. Remove the treadmill from the living room, convert the office back into a bedroom, and hide the toys that have been playing in the dining room.



# TIP #5 CLEAN THE BATHROOMS

#### BATHROOMS CAN BE DEAL BREAKERS

It may not be economical to do a full bathroom renovation. However, it is possible to spend a few hundred dollars on a bathroom refresh. Replace frosted glass with clear glass, clean the grout, remove rust stains, apply fresh caulk, update doorknobs, replace faucets, and install a low-flush toilet.



### TIP #6 SPRUCE UP THE FLOORS

#### THE FIRST THING A BUYER WILL NOTICE

Broken tiles and squeaky floor boards can be fixed easily and make a huge difference in a buyer's impression. Remove wall to wall carpeting and vinyl flooring. Instead, opt for hardwood or tile, if the budget allows.



### TIP #7 HIRE A HANDYMAN BASIC MAINTENANCE GOES FAR

Repair leaks, replace rusty rain gutters, inspect the furnace, caulk the corners, replace the drawer pulls, and weed the flower beds. These kinds of repairs go a long way toward value.



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