

HOUSE HUNTING CHECKLIST

Print a few copies to take with you when house hunting. Obtain as much information as possible about each property, make notes on each one you like and compare them at the end of the day.

Details of the Home

Address:			
Asking Price:	R	Levy:	R
Rates & Taxes:	R	Occupation Date:	
Size of the Stand:		Size of the House:	m ²

The Estate Agent

Estate Agency:			
Estate Agent:			
Tel:		Fax:	
Cell:		Email:	

The Neighbourhood...

Right address?	
Convenience i.t.o. location?	
Hazardous elements.	
Is it secure?	
Residential, commercial or industrial zoning.	

The Stand/Erf...

Restrictions.	
The size and shape of the stand/erf.	
Slope of the land.	

The Permanent Structures...

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The size (floor area) and shape of the house.	
Age of building.	
Type of material used to build.	
Soil on which the buildings are built.	
Foundation.	
Moisture/rising damp.	
North-East facing living areas and bedrooms.	

The Family's Needs...

Family Pets.

Does it comply with your needs?

Lounge

Family Room

Study

Entertainment Area

Bar

Jacuzzi

Games Room

Kitchen

Scullery

Laundry

Stove

Oven

Fridge/Freezer Space

Dishwasher Space

Washing/Tumble Dryer Space
(If no laundry)

Microwave Space

Dustbin Space

Cupboard Space

Broom/Cleaning Cupboards

Double Basin

Prep Bowl

Dining Room

Store Room

Staff Accommodation

Outside Toilet

Bedrooms

Built-in Cupboards

Main Bedroom Dressing/Walk-in Cupboard

Bathrooms

Main Bathroom en-Suite

Guest Toilet

Garden

Established

Safe for Children

Big enough for Pets

Miscellaneous

Linen Cupboard

Garages (Automated/Manual)

Carports

Enough Guest Parking

Pool

The Exterior...

Windows & frames.

Woodwork. (exterior & interior)

Walls. (exterior, interior & boundary).

Roof.

Exterior paint.

Garden layout.

Paving.

Swimming pool.

Borehole & Sprinkler System.

Other recreational facilities.

The Interior...

Ceilings.

Interior paint.

Leakages.	
Floors, carpets, tiles and wood flooring.	
Wall Tiles.	
Doors and frames and locks.	
Odd Shaped Rooms.	
Bathrooms.	
Fixtures & Fittings	
Permanent Fixtures.	
Movable Property.	

The Security...

Alarm system and/or security company.	
Security doors.	
Burglar proofing.	
Boundary wall & gate.	
Streetlights.	

Electrical & Plumbing

Drains, Plumbing and Gutters.	
Electricity.	
Electric motors.	

General Appearance...

Most attractive features?	
Most unattractive features?	

Questions to ask the Seller

Why are you moving?	
How long have you been in this house?	
Has there been any break-ins or hijackings?	
What are the neighbours like?	

Questions to ask the Estate Agent

What are the price trends in this area?	
How long has the property been on the market?	
Are many properties often sold in this area, and why?	