

Understanding your wants and needs for a home can save you time when house hunting. But be realistic and keep your budget in mind – ranking things as important that are out of your price range can make the process difficult and frustrating.

	Very Important	Would Like	Not Important	Do Not Want	Comments*
Newer home					
Home type: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Detached • Townhouse • Condo 					
Home style: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ranch (no stairs) • Colonial • Contemporary • Other 					
Number of bedrooms					
Number of bathrooms					
Master bath					
Family room (in addition to living room)					
Updated kitchen (built-in microwave, disposal, etc.)					
Dining room					
Den/study/office					
Laundry room					
Finished basement					
Attic					
Central air conditioning					
Updated plumbing					
Updated wiring					
Move-in condition					
Fireplace					
Skylights					
Gas range					
Hardwood floors					
Garage					
Wooded lot/privacy					
Big yard					
No or low maintenance					
Fenced property					
Deck or patio					
Screened porch					
Pool					
Landscaping					

**Note: Use the comments column for edits to ranking. For example, garage may be very important, but it may be okay if it is detached. A carport may be acceptable.*