

Home Tour Checklist

This checklist was created to assist you with the types of questions you may want to ask when touring retirement communities. It is always encouraged to do research and spend some time in the home to ensure the right fit for you or your loved one.

Community & Location

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Safe neighbourhood | <input type="checkbox"/> Proximity to hospital | <input type="checkbox"/> Nearby restaurants |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Nature & clean air | <input type="checkbox"/> Public Transportation | <input type="checkbox"/> Public library |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Parks & walking paths | <input type="checkbox"/> Close to shops/banks | <input type="checkbox"/> Place of worship |

Services & Amenities

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| <input type="checkbox"/> 3 high-quality meals daily | <input type="checkbox"/> Spacious patio/terrace | <input type="checkbox"/> Social lounges |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Choice of menu items | <input type="checkbox"/> Theatre | <input type="checkbox"/> Library |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Special diets | <input type="checkbox"/> Fitness centre | <input type="checkbox"/> Games/crafts room |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Availability of snacks/drinks | <input type="checkbox"/> Laundry on every floor | <input type="checkbox"/> Chapel |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Housekeeping | <input type="checkbox"/> Central dining hall | <input type="checkbox"/> Pet-friendly |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Transportation/shuttle bus | <input type="checkbox"/> Private dining space to entertain friends and family | <input type="checkbox"/> Wellness services (physiotherapy, massage therapy, foot care, yoga, etc.) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Beauty salon | <input type="checkbox"/> Walking circuit | <input type="checkbox"/> Salt water pool |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Parking (indoor & outdoor) | <input type="checkbox"/> Common computer | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Concierge & private mailbox | | |

Health-care Services

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| <input type="checkbox"/> 24-hour registered nursing staff support | <input type="checkbox"/> Senior-dedicated pharmacy | <input type="checkbox"/> Lift transfer (2-person) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> On-call physician | <input type="checkbox"/> On-call system that works anywhere in the building | <input type="checkbox"/> Cognitive and dementia care |
| <input type="checkbox"/> In-house doctor's office | <input type="checkbox"/> Full assistance (including bathing, dressing, grooming, toileting) | <input type="checkbox"/> EVAC Chair |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Medication supervision/administration | | <input type="checkbox"/> Palliative Care |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Dental | | |

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Suite & Building Features

- Spacious, well-planned layout
- Beautiful, neutral decor
- Bright & airy
- Quiet
- Reliable security & fire-suppression system
- Window view
- Clean
- High-quality materials used
- Well maintained (nothing is broken or missing)
- Wheelchair accessible
- Large hallways
- Patio/balcony
- High-speed internet
- Cable & telephone
- Climate control
- En-suite laundry
- Closet/storage space
- Kitchenette
- No-slip flooring & safety bars

Activities & Events

- Regularly scheduled fitness, craft, social and recreational activities
- Openness to resident suggestions for activities
- Variety of activities and special events
- Fun, unique outings
- Safety & comfort considered

Residence Information

- Reliable ownership/no change in ownership
- What are the packages and monthly rates?
- Variety of suites & packages available
- Can you meet the General Manager? Is the General Manager friendly, courteous, knowledgeable and open to input/suggestions?
- Good reputation & well-established
- Resident council & resident ambassadors
- Family newsletters
- Did the residents seem happy and friendly? Could you ask a resident for their opinion of the home?
- Method of payment
- Is a deposit required?
- Visitor policy
- How often and how much are the service fee increases?
- What happens if I am hospitalized?
- Flexibility & willingness to work with your needs
- Reputable builder
- Can you go from unassisted to assisted living in the same residence?
- Moving & transition services
- Are convalescent/short-term/respite stays offered?
- What is the difference between unassisted and assisted living at the home?
- What if I want to upgrade or downgrade my package?
- Member of ORCA and RHRA certified

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