

## NEW HOME DESIGN QUESTIONNAIRE

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Name #1: \_\_\_\_\_ Name #2: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone #1: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone #2: \_\_\_\_\_

Email #1: \_\_\_\_\_ Email #2: \_\_\_\_\_

Current Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Address of project site (including lot number and subdivision if applicable)?

### **PIPPIN'S FULLY SUPPORTIVE DESIGN PROCESS**

This is a deep dive into all that's important for you, which is essential for designing a custom home tailored to support your life, your land, and your loved ones!

It's our job as your designers to absorb and distill all the information you provide to us from this questionnaire into a cohesive plan that captures your vision.

All information provided is confidential.

Please don't be concerned if you're unfamiliar with the terms used or are unable to give an answer in any of the areas. Bring any questions you have to the meeting with you.

\*Note: The more detailed you are, the easier and faster we will be able to create design concepts that you love. Take as much time as you need to think through your answers.

#### Considerations While You Go Through the Questions:

- Plan to spend between 2-4 hours answering the questions.
- Take your time to make sure you've considered and incorporated all the features and details that will really *make your heart sing*. You do not want to rush the designing stage. This is where the magic happens!

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- Be as descriptive as possible and tell us exactly what you truly desire and exactly what you do NOT desire. It's just as important to know what you don't want. Give examples, where needed.
- Allow yourself to dream BIG. Don't be afraid to think about and tell us what your "perfect world" would be like. We want to be sure to include your truest desires. We typically know multiple ways to create design solution for a given situation.
- Focus on how you want to FEEL in your home. Let your heart guide you.
- If there are differences of opinions amongst members of your household, let us know all the opinions; we want to address everyone's concerns and will likely be able to create something that works for everyone. Be open to compromise.
- Think about your current needs and try to anticipate future needs or life changes i.e., who will or will not be living with you, do you plan to age in place in your home?
- We encourage you to create a digital scrapbook. Include images of things you like, spaces that create a good mood or feeling, and pictures that you are simply drawn to. Be sure to make notes with the images you save, so we'll know exactly what it is you liked about the image and what is not relevant. The following link will help you set up a Houzz Ideabook:  
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=9CP5wk7pVX4>
- If a question is not relevant to your situation, just skip it.

### OVERVIEW – THE BIG PICTURE

What is it that you REALLY want for your life in your new or renovated home?

What would make you feel the best?

### LIFESTYLE

What does a typical day look like for you?

What activities or hobbies do you enjoy in your free time?

What does self-care look like for you?

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Do you consider yourself more of a morning or evening person when it comes to productivity?

What is your dream vacation or adventure? What about the location, the activities, or the amenities that are most appealing to you?

What are your effective strategies for managing stress and preventing burnout?

What role does technology play in your life?

What's most important to you in life right now?

**What does living your best life mean to you?**

### INVESTMENT

What are you planning to invest in your home project? (choose one or more parameters)

- \$\_\_\_\_\_ Home without land and other features
- \$\_\_\_\_\_ Overall total project including land
- Between \$\_\_\_\_\_ and \$\_\_\_\_\_
- \$\_\_\_\_\_ per square foot

One of our key strengths is our ability to create designs that align with your budget. Clear communication about your budget helps us avoid spending time on designs beyond your means. We guide all clients through realistic decision-making to ensure the project remains within the intended investment.

**\*NOTE:** The building industry has been experiencing an elevated cost of materials and labor shortages for years. These factors were exacerbated by the pandemic. Your home construction costs are likely to be higher than you initially anticipate. We recommend talking with a local builder to gain insights into current costs.

We often design homes that are planned for future additional phase(s), allowing you time to save more capital and continue adding on when the time and increased investments are available. Is this something you might be interested in? Yes / No / Maybe

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### GENERAL INFORMATION

When would you like to start building or be moved into your new home?

Do you already own your property? (circle) Yes / No

If yes, we will need you to supply survey information that includes topography (contours of the land), tree survey (if any), a site plan (showing all easements and building set back lines). The survey can be uploaded to your personal Drive folder (link should have already been shared with you) or emailed to [Jenny@pippinhomedesigns.com](mailto:Jenny@pippinhomedesigns.com)

Have you ever built a new home or remodeled before? (circle) Yes / No

If Yes, how was the experience?

### BUILDING SITE CONSIDERATIONS

Why did you choose this property for your home?

How do you feel when you're on this property?

Does your property have an unusual shape or challenging building envelope?

Are there slopes and subsurface conditions to be taken into account? Please describe.

Are you in a HOA? Yes / No

Are there any of the following subdivision requirements and/or local covenants that could influence design criteria? (Check all that apply)

Building Height Restrictions

Roof Slopes

Setbacks

Right of Way Easement Limitations

Square Foot Minimums

Other Environmental Limitations

\*Note: If there are Architectural guidelines for your subdivision, please email us a copy or a link to access them. ([jenny@pippinhomedesigns.com](mailto:jenny@pippinhomedesigns.com))

Will the home have a: (circle)

Well

Septic

Municipal Water/Sewer

Does the property have any of the following issues that you are aware of? If so, these will need to be addressed in the design process.

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Erosion problems	Ecological problems
Steep slope	High water table
Shallow bedrock	Other_____

Any of the following unique site features?

Barns on Property	Boulders on Property
Dock on Property	Creek on Property
Existing Swimming Pool	Lake
Outbuildings on Property	Pastures on/or Adjacent to Property
Mature Trees on Property	Pond on Property
Trails on/or Accessible to Property	Grandfathered-in setbacks
Other _____	

Do you want any of the following major site improvements?

Tennis Court	Pool
Terraces	Outbuilding/ADU
Boathouse	Barn
Rental	Storage Building
Other_____	

## VIEWS & THE GREAT OUTDOORS

Unique Views of Lot: (Check all that apply)

Beach front	Mountain View
Beach Views	Nature Preserve
Farmland/Countryside	Water View – Beach
Golf Course	Water View – Lake

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Heavily Forested

Pond View

Lakefront-Shoreline

Creek View

Lakefront-Peninsula

Other \_\_\_\_\_

What natural features on your property are important to view, enhance, protect, or experience in any way?

Which is your favorite?

Are there any features on your property or abutting your property that you want screened from view?

Are there any views that you want to achieve from a particular location or room?

Are there any views that you want to avoid from a particular location or room?

What outdoor spaces are important to you?

Garden

Pool

Hot tub

Play Area

Gazebo

Fenced areas

Recreation Area

Outdoor Kitchen/Grill

Outdoor Dining

Storage Building

Water Feature/Pond

Fireplace/fire pit

Cabana

Playhouse

Tennis Court

Other \_\_\_\_\_

What transitional spaces are important to you?

Covered Porch

Open Deck

Open Patio

Covered Walkway

Screened-in areas

Other \_\_\_\_\_

## THE FEEL OF THE HOME

Having a home that FEELS good to live in is extremely important. How do you feel in your current home?

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How do you desire to feel in your new home?

What is the intention for this home:

Primary Residence  
Secondary Residence  
Vacation Home  
Rental  
Flip  
Other

If primary, do you spend long periods of time away from home, or is it almost always occupied?

If secondary, how much time will you spend there and at what time of year?

Would it ever be a rental? Yes / No

Is this your forever home? Yes / No

If No, how long do you anticipate living in the home? \_\_\_\_\_

Are you designing it with re-sale in mind, or as an investment property? Yes / No

What level of accessibility are you concerned with? (circle one)

None

Entire Home

Just These Rooms: \_\_\_\_\_

If selected certain spaces, which spaces would you like to be accessible?

Do you use a wheelchair, walker, cane, or other?

Do you need a stair lift or elevator, or need to plan for a future one? Yes / No

### PROJECT SCOPE

How much heated square footage do you anticipate needing?

Lower Level \_\_\_\_\_

First floor \_\_\_\_\_

Second floor \_\_\_\_\_

How much total under roof square footage do you anticipate having, including the heated, unheated, unfinished, garages, porches, etc.?

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\*NOTE: We highly recommend that you measure the sizes of the rooms you have in your existing home to determine if they meet your needs or could be adjusted to better suit you.

Ceiling heights required for each floor level?

First Floor \_\_\_\_\_ Second Floor \_\_\_\_\_

Third Floor \_\_\_\_\_ Basement/Lower Level \_\_\_\_\_

What will your home be built on?

Crawl Space

Slab

Basement

Number of Bedrooms including Master Bedroom (circle one)

Two bedrooms

Two bedrooms with optional office/third bedroom

Three bedrooms

Three bedrooms with optional office/fourth bedroom

Four bedrooms

Four bedrooms with optional office/fifth bedroom

Five or more bedrooms (Put desired number above 5): \_\_\_\_\_

How many Full Baths would you like? \_\_\_\_\_ Half Baths? \_\_\_\_\_

Will there be multiple Laundry areas? Yes / No

On which floor(s) do you want the Laundry Room(s)? \_\_\_\_\_

Desired Spaces for Inside of Home (circle all that apply and label which floor you would prefer each room ex. 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, Bsmt):

<i>Floor Preference</i>	<i>Desired Space</i>
	Open Concept in Layout
	Master Suite
	Full Bathrooms (Two)
	Full Bathrooms (Three)
	Full Bathrooms (One for each Bedroom)
	Full Bathroom (Jack and Jill)
	Powder Room (1/2 bath)
	Multiple Powder Rooms (1/2 bath)
	1/2 Bath (Jack and Jill or Buddy Bath)
	Chef's Kitchen



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	Caterer's Kitchen
	Second Kitchen
	Butler Pantry
	Scullery
	Walk-in Pantry
	Breakfast Area
	Formal Dining Room
	Wet Bar
	Wine Cooler
	Wine Room/Cellar
	Entertainment Bar
	Rec. Room
	Bonus/Play/Game Room
	Family Room/Den
	Media/Theater Room
	Man Cave
	She Space
	Library
	Study
	Home Office – Single
	Home Office – Dual
	Zoom Room
	Fitness Room/Home Gym
	Indoor Basketball Court
	Yoga/Pilates Room
	Prayer/Meditation Room
	Basement
	Walkout Basement
	Mother-in-Law Suite
	Bunk Room
	Drop Zone
	Elevator
	Art Studio
	Craft Studio
	Hobby Area
	Sunroom
	Green House Room
	Gardener's Room
	Laundry Room(s)
	Dog/Pet Room
	Workshop
	Utility Room
	Other _____

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## Desired Spaces for Outside of Home:

Basketball Court (outdoor)  
Tennis Court(s)  
Dock  
Outdoor Living Seating  
Basement Terrace  
Granny Flat / ADU  
Summer Kitchen  
Outdoor Fireplace  
Firepit  
Private Pool  
Hot Tub  
Pool Cabana  
Pool House  
Putting Green  
Car Port  
Nursery  
Other \_\_\_\_\_

Two-car Garage  
Two 2-car Garages  
Three-car Garage  
Four-car Garage  
Attached Garage  
Detached Garage  
Screened-in Porch  
Balcony(ies)  
Veranda(s)  
Pergola  
Front Porch  
Back Porch  
Wrap-around Porch  
Multi-Level Porches  
Covered Porch  
Work Area

Do you imagine any future additions to the home that would require planning for expansion?

## ARCHITECTURAL STYLES

Which architectural styles are most appealing to you for your home? (Rank your TOP 5)

Art Deco	Greek Revival	Queen Anne - Victorian
Art Nouveau	Gothic Revival	Saltbox
Asian Inspired	Italianate	Shed
Cape Cod	International	Shingle
Craftsman	Lake Cottage/Cabin	Stick – Victorian
Cottage	Low Country	Second Empire – Victorian
Contemporary	Mid-Century Modern	Southwestern
Colonial	Mediterranean	Spanish Colonial
Dutch Colonial	Modern	Storybook
French Colonial	Modern Farmhouse	Traditional Ranch
French Country	Mountain Lodge	Timber Frame
French Provincial	Mission Revival	Tudor
French Chateau	Neo Classical	Transitional

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Federal  
Georgian

Prairie  
Pueblo

West Indies  
Other \_\_\_\_\_

Which ONE style do you want to be the focus of your new home?

What style(s) do you particularly DISLIKE?

For the main living areas, do you prefer an open floor plan, rooms physically separated from one another, or spaces visually separated with architectural features?

### ARCHITECTURAL FEATURES

What exterior and interior features are you interested in?

#### Exterior:

Exterior Brackets	Exterior Columns	Deep Overhangs
Double Fascia Boards	Exposed Rafter Tails	Exposed Rafters in Porch
Gabel Roof End Details	Floor Finish on Porches	Ceiling Finish on Porches
Railing Style _____	Column Style _____	Other _____

#### Roofing:

Metal	Rubber	Shakes
Shingles	Slate	Terra Cotta
Barrel Ties	Other _____	

#### Siding:

Bark	Brick	Wood Siding
Fiber Cement Siding	Metal	Shake
Stone	Vertical Board & Batten	Stucco
Horizontal Lines	Vertical Lines	Concrete

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Stone (real or cultured)    Vinyl    Other\_\_\_\_\_

### Porch Flooring:

Brick    Composite    Concrete

Stamped Concrete    Wood    Tile

Stone    Pavers    Other\_\_\_\_\_

### Interior:

Column Style\_\_\_\_\_    Ceiling Beams    Bi-Folding Glass Door

Arched Openings    Barn Doors    Pocket Doors

Built-ins    Tray Ceilings    Stone Accents

Art Niches    Wood Ceilings    Cove Lighting

Vaulted/Cathedral Ceilings    Other\_\_\_\_\_

List which rooms you want these features located in.

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### ENTRY

Do you want a 'WOW' factor entry exterior?    Yes / No

Or do you prefer a more understated entry exterior?    Yes / No

Which entry door type do you prefer?

Double Door    Single Door

If single door, do you want a regular 36" door or an over-sized width door?

Do you want sidelights?    Yes / No

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### FOYER

Which kind of Foyer do you prefer?

A wide welcoming Foyer

A small simple Foyer

Do you want a coats closet in or accessible to the Foyer?

Is a view through the home upon entry into the Foyer important to you, or do you prefer more privacy with no view through the home from the Foyer?

Do you like to view stairs from your Foyer? Yes / No

Do you prefer a back staircase in the Garage/Drop Zone entry? Yes / No

Additional comments about Foyer?

### KITCHEN

What views do you desire for the kitchen/cooking areas?

Do you want your sink located at a window? Yes / No

Do you spend a lot of time in the kitchen? Yes / No / Sometimes

Do you eat out most of the time? Yes / No / Sometimes

How many household members cook?

If multiple cooks, do you all like to cook together? Do you want multiple prep stations?

Are there any specific needs to be addressed in the kitchen? (height limitations, left-handedness, children's small hands, accessible, etc.)

Please check if you desire any of the following in your main Kitchen:

- Dishwasher: How many? \_\_\_\_\_
- Separate cook top: (circle) Gas    Electric    Downdraft    Updraft
- Oven/cook top combination
- Double ovens
- Refrigerator(s): Built-in
- Standard Freezer: (circle) Part of refrigerator    Separate Unit
- Second Sink (Prep Sink)
- Architectural-type stove hood
- Walk-in Pantry/Scullery
- Cabinet style Pantry

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- Pot/Pan Storage Drawers
- Open Shelving
- Wine Storage / Cooler
- Wet Bar
- Island with seating – number of stools 2 / 3 / 4 / 5 / 6
- Island with appliances or fixtures
- Island without appliances or fixtures
- Peninsula
- Disposal
- Trash compactor
- Icemaker
- Microwave
- Other \_\_\_\_\_

If selected Walk-in Pantry/Scullery, what would you like this room to include:

- A hidden access door
- Sink
- Dishwasher
- Disposal
- Second refrigerator
- Second oven
- Microwave
- Wine cooler
- Window to a view
- Pass-through window
- Be a walk-through
- Have access from the garage
- Other \_\_\_\_\_

What secondary activities would likely take place in your kitchen?

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Eating        | <input type="checkbox"/> Computer     | <input type="checkbox"/> Kids' projects |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Laundry       | <input type="checkbox"/> Hobbies      | <input type="checkbox"/> Growing plants |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Study         | <input type="checkbox"/> TV/radio     | <input type="checkbox"/> Sewing         |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Planning desk | <input type="checkbox"/> Other: _____ |   |

Do you grill outside? Yes / No If so, how often?

Do you want a Summer Kitchen outside? Yes / No

If so, what are the features/appliances you want included?

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Grill	Green Egg	Fryer
Pizza Oven	Sink	Under Counter
Refrigerator	Wine Cooler	Ice Maker
Beer Tap	Bar Seating	Other _____

Do you want a pass-through window from the Kitchen to a Summer Kitchen? Yes / No

Additional comments about the Kitchen:

## DINING

What views do you desire for the dining areas?

Where does your family typically eat daily meals?

Kitchen % _____	Dining Room % _____
Porch/Outdoors % _____	Other % _____

Does you family usually all eat together or do you eat at different times?

Do you use a rectangle or round table?

What are the dimensions of the table (LWH)?

How many table seats are required?

Is a separate, formal "dining room" required? Yes / No

If so, do you have specific furniture pieces that must be included in this room? Yes / No

If Yes, what are the furniture pieces and what are their dimensions (LWH)? Please provide photos of any large pieces of furniture.)

Additional comments about Dining Areas:

## GREAT ROOM

What views do you desire from the Great Room?

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Is a separate formal living room required? Yes / No

What size do you want your Great Room to be?

What items do you want in the Great room?

Fireplace

Bookcases

Wet bar

Window Seat

Built-in Shelving

Other: \_\_\_\_\_

Do you want access to the outside living spaces from the Great Room? Yes / No

Do you have any large pieces of furniture or equipment that require special spaces like nooks or alcoves? Yes / No

If Yes, what are they and what are their dimensions (LWH)? Please provide photos.

Additional comments about the Great Room:

## THE MASTER BEDROOM SUITE

What views do you desire from the Master Bedroom?

How much time do you spend in the Master Bedroom?

A Lot

A Little

Somewhere in Between

What elements do you desire for your Master Bedroom?

Private En Suite Bath

Sitting Area

Window Seat

Outside Access

Covered Porch

Balcony/Terrace

Fireplace in Bedroom

Fireplace in Sitting Area

See Through Fireplace

Walk-In Closets

Changing Room

Make-up Area

Built in Bookcases

Coffee Bar

Laundry

Skylights

Sun Tunnels

Other \_\_\_\_\_

Are you early risers? (This determines solar orientation.) Yes/No/Sometimes

On which floor do you want the Master Bedroom?



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Additional comments about Master Bedroom:

### MASTER BATH

What elements do you desire for the Master Bath?

Whirlpool	Garden Tub	Free-Standing Tub
Separate Shower	Double Sink Vanity	Separate sinks
Linen Closet	Walk-through Shower	Doorless shower
Separate Toilet Room	Make-up Area	Built-in Shelving
Walk-in closet(s)	Windows	Skylights
Sun Tunnel	Other: _____	

Additional comments about Master Bath:

### MASTER WALK-IN CLOSET(S)

What elements do you desire for the Master Closet?

Built-in Drawers	Shelves	Bench
Island	Ironing Board	Stackable Washer/Dryer
Cedar	Safe	Access to Laundry Room
Automated Hanging System	Other _____	

How many feet of hanging space do you need? Double \_\_\_\_\_ Single \_\_\_\_\_

Do you want one large or two separate his/hers closets?

How do you want to access the closet(s)?

Bedroom	Bathroom	Between
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Additional comments about the Master Closet:

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### ADDITIONAL BEDROOMS

What level of the home do you want these bedrooms located on?

Br #1 \_\_\_\_\_ Br #2 \_\_\_\_\_ Br #3 \_\_\_\_\_ Br #4 \_\_\_\_\_

Do you need a secondary/accessible bedroom on the first floor? Yes / No

What views do you desire from the additional bedrooms?

Will the additional bedrooms be used strictly as sleeping and clothing spaces, or will they be used for homework, hobbies, TV, crafts, playing, or other?

Do you want these rooms to each have their own private bath, share one common bath, or perhaps one shared bath per two adjoining bedrooms?

Any balconies, terraces, or covered porches from these additional bedrooms?

Will there be early risers sleeping in these bedrooms?

Additional comments about the other bedrooms:

### HOME OFFICE

Will anyone conduct business or do work at home? If so, how many people?

How many people will work from the Home Office full time?

Part-time?

Do you want a designated Home Office room or could a guest room double as an office?

Would a small office nook suffice?

Will the Home Office require separate entry and other privacy considerations?

Do you need a Home Office that accommodates clients? Yes/No

If yes, how many clients at one time? \_\_\_\_\_

Any special electrical requirements?

Any large pieces of furniture that must be considered for the Home Office? Yes / No

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If Yes, what are they and what are their dimensions (LWH)? Please provide photos.

Additional comments about the Home Office:

### BASEMENT/LOWER LEVEL

What elements do you desire for the basement/lower level?

Walk-Out Basement	Parents Suite	Bar/Wine Room
Recreation Room	Fireplace	Built-ins / TV
Home Theater	Gym	Bunk Room
Safe Room	Mechanical	Bedroom(s)_____
Bathroom	Covered Patio	Grilling/Summer Kitchen
Bathroom with Pool/Lake access		Other_____

Additional comments about the basement/terrace/lower level:

### STORAGE

How would you rank yourselves?

Minimalists

Ordinary Savers

Packrats

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
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What are your primary storage needs/requirements?

Yard	Garden/Potting Area	Pool/Lake Equipment
Sports Equipment	Outdoor Furniture	Kids Toys / bikes
Other_____		

Where do you want these things stored?

Garage	Barn	Shed
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Outdoor Compartments    Basement

Other \_\_\_\_\_

Do you like clean lines with clutter hidden from view?

Additional comments about storage:

### PARKING/GARAGE

What are your parking needs?

Attached Garage

Detached Garage

Carport

Uncovered Spaces

Secondary Parking Area

First Floor

Basement

Other \_\_\_\_\_

What vehicles and how many of each will need to be stored?

Cars \_\_\_\_\_

Trucks \_\_\_\_\_

Boats \_\_\_\_\_

Motorcycle \_\_\_\_\_

ATV/4-Wheeler \_\_\_\_\_

Jet Skis \_\_\_\_\_

Riding Lawn Mower \_\_\_\_\_

Campers/RV \_\_\_\_\_

Other \_\_\_\_\_

How many enclosed garage bays are needed? \_\_\_\_\_

What elements do you desire inside the garage?

Workshop Space

Work Bench

Bathroom

Space for Tools

Space for Machinery

Above Garage Apartment

Car Charging Station

Heated/Cooled

Hot/Cold Water

Ramp for Accessibility

Sink

Refrigerator

Single or Double Overhead Doors

Person Door

Storage for Materials, Wood, Paint, etc.

Additional Storage

Other \_\_\_\_\_

Do you have special electrical requirements?

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Additional comments about parking/garage:

### DROP ZONE OR MUDROOM/FRIENDS & FAMILY ENTRY

What do you want in the Drop Zone or Mudroom entry?

Coats Closet	Cubbies	Bench
Shoe Storage	Sink	Pet Feeding
Station/Storage	Dog Beds/Kennels	Dog Wash
Outside Entrance	Other_____	

Additional comments about Drop Zone/Mudroom/Entry:

### CURRENT HOME VS. NEW HOME

What rooms or features do you like about your current home? How should your new home be the same?

What are some rooms or features about your current home that you don't like? How should your new home be different or improved upon?

### LOVED ONES

We'd like to learn more about you and the ones you love.

Please provide a list of all household members and any special needs or interests they may have:

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Special considerations for now and the future?



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Accessibility

Aging Family Member(s)

Young Children (How Many?)

Do you have kids now or are planning for any in the future? Yes / No

Do you have grown children who will visit? Yes / No

Do you have grandkids or planning for them in the future? Yes / No

Adult kids returning to the nest? Yes / No

Do you have a large extended family and need space for frequent guests or long stays?  
Yes / No                      If yes, how many? \_\_\_\_\_

Do you have household pets, if so what kind and how many? Are you planning for any in the future?

Do your pets have any special requirements?

Is privacy an important factor to you?

Is there anything else we should know about your loved ones?

### LIFESTYLE

What are your professions?

What are the daily routines or habits of each member of the household?

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Interests & Hobbies:

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Reading	Entertaining	Movies/Home Theatre
Music	Dancing	Playing Instrument
Crafts/Sewing	Cooking	Painting
Yoga/Meditation	Boating	Golf
Sports	Hunting/Fishing	Games
Astronomy	Working Out	Gardening
Other _____		

Do you own any equipment that needs to be incorporated or planned for in any way to accommodate any of the above activities?

Where in your house do people tend to gather and spend most of their time?

Kitchen	Great Room	Porch
Outdoors	Rec. Room	Other_____

How do you like to move about your home during the day?

During the evening?

What spaces or rooms would enhance your daily routines?

Desired workout type or exercise regimen?

What are your passions, values, and inspirations?

TV habits:

Important	Regular / Occasional	Not Important at All
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Music:

A Focus	In the Background	Not Important at All
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What is your favorite room in your house? Why?

What part of your home do you use the least?

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Is your home a place to restore, entertain, or both?

How often do you entertain?

Often

Occasionally

Almost Never

What is your preferred type of entertaining?

Meals

Music

Games

Workshops/Classes

TV/Movies

Pool/Lake Side

Other \_\_\_\_\_

Entertaining style:

Formal

Informal

Combination/Both

Average number of guests:

1-6

7-12

More than 12

Average guest age:

Adults

Teenagers

Children

All Ages

What other activities or needs are a priority, where do they take place, and what is required to support them? (ex. parenting, religion, or whatever activities are at the core of your daily, weekly or monthly life are important to uncover.)

Are your needs and lifestyles likely to change and transition as you live in this home?

### ARTWORK/COLLECTIONS

Do you have any collections you would like to display? If so, what are they and where would you like to display them?

Do you have any artwork, family portraits, photos etc. you would like to display? If so, where?



## NEW HOME DESIGN QUESTIONNAIRE

### OVERALL FEELING

How do you want your spaces and rooms to feel?

Light and Airy

Cozy

Dark and Cave-Like

What mood do you want to create throughout your home?

Elegant

Understated

Worldly

Relaxed

Lively

Sophisticated

Open

Impressive

Natural

Unpretentious

Traditional

Striking/creative

Snug/Cozy

Comfortable

Spacious

Welcoming

Romantic

Other: \_\_\_\_\_

Is there a message or feeling you want the house to convey to others? What do you want your home to say about you?

Is there a special theme you want to incorporate throughout the home?

Are you interested in Feng Shui? Yes / No / Not Sure

If yes, what elements of Feng Shui are you particularly interested in, or that you want to incorporate and where?

### ACCESSIBLE & UNIVERSAL DESIGN

Which aspects of Accessible Design interest you? (Check all that apply)

Elevator

Stacked closets (future elevator)

Barrier free entry

Motion sensory lighting

Open concept floorplan

Wide corridors and doorways

Accessible bathroom

Curbless shower

Shower built-in seating

Single shower handle valves

Lever switches

Lever handles

## NEW HOME DESIGN QUESTIONNAIRE



Raised electrical outlets

Lowered light switches

Lower countertops

Roll under sink, cooktops, countertops

Cooktops with front mounted controls

Seated kitchen prep area

Touch latch cabinets

Drawers instead of traditional cabinets

Hidden ramp in garage

Ceiling rail lift system

Raised washer/dryer

Raised dishwasher

Other \_\_\_\_\_

## HIGH PERFORMANCE & ENERGY

What do you want to incorporate or learn more about?

Lower Utility Bills

Increased Home Value

Elevator

Low Maintenance

High-Quality Construction

Durable Construction Materials

Excellent Indoor Air Quality

Eco-Friendly Materials

Energy Efficiency

Energy Star Appliances

Solar Power Energy

Passive Solar/Sun Tempering

Active Solar (Electricity of Hot Water)

Skylights

Battery Bank/Generator

Sun Tunnel (Captures Sunlight)

High Performance HVAC

Remote Control Lighting

Heated Floors

Remote Control Window Treatments

Central Vacuum

Whole House Audio/Video

Water Saving Features

Geothermal Energy

Grey-Water Systems

Zoned Irrigation System

## NEW HOME DESIGN QUESTIONNAIRE

Tankless Water Heater

Rainwater Collection

Security System

Spray Foam Insulation

Net-Zero or Net-Positive Home (With A Net-Zero Energy Bill)

Other\_\_\_\_\_

How important is energy efficiency to you?

Primary Concern

Somewhat Important

Not Very

Are you interested in Advanced Framing techniques? Yes / No

Need more info on this?

- [https://www.energystar.gov/ia/home\\_improvement/home\\_solutions/doeframing.pdf](https://www.energystar.gov/ia/home_improvement/home_solutions/doeframing.pdf)
- <https://www.apawood.org/advanced-framing>

What type of floor system do you prefer?

I-joists

Open Web Floor Trusses

What will the energy source(s) for the home be?

Solar

Natural Gas

Propane

Geothermal

Electricity

Other\_\_\_\_\_

What preference do you have for types of heating?

Radiant Floor Heating (Electric or Water)

Forced Air

Wood or Pellet Stove

Gas Fireplace

Wood-burning Fireplace

Not Sure (Would Like to Learn More)

How many fireplaces and where do you want them located?

Do you favor a low general lighting level with task lighting, or a high overall level of lighting?

## NEW HOME DESIGN QUESTIONNAIRE

What kind of specialty wiring would you like in the home?

TV/Home Theater	Phone	Cable
Electric Vehicle	Audio	Video
Data Jacks	Lighting Controls	Security
“Smart” Features	Wireless	Central Vacuum
Sprinklers for Fire Protection		Other _____

## HEALTH & WELLNESS

What health or wellness issues concern you?

Indoor Air Quality	Fresh Outdoor Air	Humidity
Temperature Control	Mold Toxicity	Chemical Toxicity
Environmental Toxins	Herbicides/Pesticides	Water Contamination
Formaldehyde Free Materials		Sick House Syndrome
VOC's (Volatile Organic Compounds)		Sunlight
Recycled Products	Sustainable/Renewable Products	
Current Special Needs	Future Special Needs	Accessibility
Other_____		

Are there any family members who have allergies? Yes / No  
 If yes, what are the allergies?

Does anyone have difficulty moving around due to pain, injury, or stiffness? Yes / No

## NEW HOME DESIGN QUESTIONNAIRE

### DAYLIGHTING

What type of windows/daylighting do you prefer?

Casement

Awning

Double-Hung

Sliders

Single Hung

Fixed

Skylights

Sun Tunnels

Other \_\_\_\_\_

Do you like broad expanses of glass? Yes / No

Do you like insect screens? Yes / No

What is the quality of light you want to achieve and where? (ex. morning sun in the bedroom, kitchen, or breakfast nook/dining area, afternoon light in home office, sunset views in living room or Master Bedroom, dark at night in bedroom, ability to create different moods in the dining room, etc.)

What spaces would you like to incorporate to improve or increase your health and vitality?

### IN SUMMATION

Do you make decisions quickly or do you need time to think about things?

Do you need to see multiple options for a design solution before making a decision?

What is your highest priority during the design process? (spaces, timing, views, eco-friendly, budget, etc.)

Is there a particular way that you would like to work with us, or is there something you want us to be aware of or sensitive to?

Is there anything else you'd like to have, not mentioned on this questionnaire that would simply *knock this design out of the park* for you?

What are your *must have's* in the home?

What are your *would like to have's*?

## NEW HOME DESIGN QUESTIONNAIRE



What questions do you have for us?

### **THANK YOU FOR YOUR TIME, ENERGY, AND EFFORT!**

Congratulations! You've officially begun laying the groundwork for your dreams to manifest into a home that will fully support your life, your land, and the ones you love!

Remember, this is just the beginning step!

You may decide to change your mind later about some or much of the above information, which is both reasonable and expected.

Creating a home that is truly supportive is a well-planned, enlightening, and demanding process for all those involved - it's well worth the time and effort required.

We look forward to getting to know you and for you to get to know us. Our openness and communication will help create the trust required for this endeavor.

We know you value our expertise and so we ask that you remain open to our suggestions and recommendations during the design process.

We intend to serve you and your deepest desires with the best solutions possible in the creation of your Fully Supportive Home!



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