

Mark's Tips to Designing the Perfect Custom Home Design

Hey there! Mark Meyer here, architectural designer at Meyer3D. Designing your dream home is an exciting journey, and I'm here to assist you in making it a reality. Today, I want to share some tips to help you create the perfect custom home to meet your needs and your budget. So, let's dive right in!

1. Understand Your Needs:

Start by clearly understanding your needs and desires. Think about your lifestyle, family size, and future plans. Consider the number of bedrooms, bathrooms, and the overall layout that would work best for you. This will serve as a foundation for your home design.

2. Prioritize Functionality:

Functionality is key when designing a custom home. Think about how you will use each space and ensure it serves its purpose efficiently. For example, if you love to entertain, create an open and spacious living area that seamlessly connects to the kitchen and outdoor spaces. Do you have hobbies or any special space requirements? We will incorporate these into your design.

3. Embrace Natural Light:

Natural light can transform a space and make it feel warm and inviting. When designing your custom home, consider the orientation of windows and the placement of rooms to maximize natural light. Large windows, skylights, and open floor plans can help flood your home with sunlight.

4. Balance Form and Function:

While it's important to prioritize functionality, don't forget about aesthetics. Striking a balance between form and function can create a visually pleasing and practical home. Focus on architectural details, materials, and finishes that reflect your personal style and enhance the overall design.

5. Incorporate Sustainable Design:

Creating an eco-friendly home not only benefits the environment but also saves you money in the long run. Consider incorporating sustainable design principles into your custom home, such as energy-efficient appliances, proper insulation, renewable energy sources like solar panels, and some of the latest smart home technologies.

6. Think Long-Term:

Designing a custom home is an investment for the long term. Consider your future needs and plan accordingly. Will your family expand? Will you need a home office or a dedicated space for hobbies? A storm shelter? Anticipating these future requirements will ensure your home remains functional and adaptable.

7. Seek Professional Help:

Designing a custom home is a complex task, and it's always beneficial to seek help from professionals like Meyer3D. Collaborating with an experienced architectural designer can bring your vision to life while ensuring that all technical aspects are taken care of.

At Meyer3D we will guide you through the design process, help with permits, and provide valuable insights. Most importantly... with Meyer3D you will be able to see the inside and outside of your future home in 3D and Augmented Reality during the design stage. This can save you time and tens of thousands in costly change orders by allowing you to spot desired changes during the design, instead of later during the build.

8. Be Open to Ideas:

While you may have a clear vision for your custom home, it's important to be open to new ideas and suggestions. Professionals in the field bring a wealth of knowledge and expertise. We can offer creative solutions and help you explore possibilities you may not have considered before.

Designing the perfect custom home is an exciting and fulfilling experience. By following these tips and working closely with professionals, you can create a space that reflects your unique style, enhances your lifestyle, and brings joy to you and your family for years to come.

Remember, at Meyer3D, we're passionate about turning dreams into reality. If you need any assistance or have any questions, don't hesitate to reach out. Happy designing!

Mark's List of Websites To Help You Design The Perfect Custom Home

Here's a list of websites that can help you dream up new ideas for your new custom home. Offered to you by Mark Meyer, Architectural Designer at Meyer3D. Tell us what you want and we'll bring it all together for you.

1. Houzz (www.houzz.com): A platform for home inspiration, featuring interior design ideas, remodeling tips, and access to professionals.
2. Architectural Digest (www.architecturaldigest.com): A renowned design and architecture magazine showcasing luxurious home designs and trends.
3. Pinterest (www.pinterest.com): A visual discovery platform where users can find and save ideas for home design and decor.
4. Remodelista (www remodelista.com): A source for curated home design inspiration, from remodeling to interior design.
5. Dwell (www.dwell.com): A modern design magazine with articles, photos, and resources for home construction and remodeling.
6. Dezeen (www.dezeen.com): An architecture and design magazine featuring contemporary homes and innovative design ideas.

7. HomeAdvisor (www.homeadvisor.com): A platform connecting homeowners with contractors, providing reviews and estimates for various home improvement projects.
8. Angie's List (www.angieslist.com): A website that allows users to find and review local service professionals, including homebuilders and contractors.
9. Builder Magazine (www.builderonline.com): A resource for homebuilders, featuring industry news, trends, and construction-related articles.
10. Custom Home Magazine (www.customhomeonline.com): A publication dedicated to custom homebuilding, featuring design ideas and expert advice.
11. Houzz Pro (www.houzz.com/pro): A platform specifically designed for home professionals, offering tools and resources to showcase and manage their business.
12. Home Designing (www.homedesigning.com): An online magazine featuring interior design ideas, architecture, home decor, and more.
13. The Spruce (www.thespruce.com): A comprehensive resource for home improvement, offering articles, guides, and DIY tips.
14. DIY Network (www.diynetwork.com): A website with step-by-step instructions, videos, and inspiration for various home improvement projects.
15. Houzz TV (www.houzz.tv): A video platform featuring home tours, renovation stories, and design tips from experts.
16. Fine Homebuilding (www.finehomebuilding.com): A magazine and online resource providing professional advice, tips, and techniques for homebuilders.
17. HomeTalk (www.hometalk.com): A community-driven platform where users can share DIY projects, home improvement ideas, and ask questions.
18. Architect Magazine (www.architectmagazine.com): A publication focusing on architecture, design, and building industry news.
19. This Old House (www.thisoldhouse.com): A trusted resource for home improvement and renovation projects, with articles, videos, and expert advice.
20. House Beautiful (www.housebeautiful.com): A magazine and online resource featuring home design inspiration, decorating ideas, and lifestyle content.
21. Country Living (www.countryliving.com): A magazine and website offering rustic and country-style home decorating ideas and inspiration.
22. HGTV (www.hgtv.com): A popular television network with a website featuring home improvement shows, articles, and design inspiration.
23. House & Garden (www.houseandgarden.co.uk): A British publication focusing on home design, interiors, and garden ideas.
24. Better Homes & Gardens (www.bhg.com): A magazine and website offering a wide range of home and garden inspiration, recipes, and lifestyle content.
25. Real Simple (www.realsimple.com): A lifestyle magazine and website providing practical tips, organization advice, and home decorating ideas.

26. HomePortfolio (www.homeportfolio.com): A website featuring a collection of home product catalogs, showcasing various brands and design options.
27. Home & Design (www.homeanddesign.com): A magazine and website focused on luxury home design, architecture, and interior design.
28. Homify (www.homify.com): An international platform featuring home design inspiration, articles, and a directory of professionals.
29. Grand Designs Magazine (www.granddesignsmagazine.com): The official magazine of the Grand Designs TV series, featuring innovative home designs and projects.
30. HomeDSGN (www.homedsgn.com): A website featuring a curated collection of unique and inspiring home designs from around the world.
31. Architectural Record (www.architecturalrecord.com): A leading architectural magazine offering news, projects, and design-related articles.
32. Homebuilding & Renovating (www.homebuilding.co.uk): A British publication focusing on self-build and renovation projects, with articles, guides, and advice.
33. Home Design Lover (www.homedesignlover.com): A website featuring home design ideas, interior decor, and architectural inspiration.
34. Design Milk (www.design-milk.com): An online magazine showcasing modern design, architecture, and innovative home products.
35. Houzz Tour (www.houzz.com/tour): A section of Houzz dedicated to virtual home tours, featuring inspiring residences and design ideas.
36. Houzz Shop (www.houzz.com/shop): An online marketplace featuring a wide range of home decor, furniture, and building materials.
37. Houzz Forums (www.houzz.com/discussions): A community forum where homeowners, professionals, and enthusiasts can discuss various aspects of home design and construction.
38. Houzz Pro Forum (www.houzz.com/pro-forum): A dedicated forum for home professionals, allowing them to connect, ask questions, and share knowledge.
39. Houzz Magazine (www.houzzmag.com): The official magazine of Houzz, featuring inspiring homes, remodeling stories, and design trends.
40. Houzz Research (www.houzz.com/research): A section of Houzz dedicated to collecting and analyzing data on home design and remodeling trends.
41. Houzz App (www.houzz.com/app): The official mobile app of Houzz, providing access to millions of home design photos and tools on the go.