

Red Flag Checklist

A HOUSE HUNTER'S GUIDE TO AVOIDING A POTENTIAL "MONEY PIT"

WHAT TO LOOK FOR...

- Exterior cracks in walls or sidewalk
- Yard slopes toward house
- Trees with roots near foundation
- Curled or warped shingles/broken tiles
- Mismatched or missing roof sections
- Floors/walls not visible level/straight
- Gaps or jams in windows or doors
- Water or dark stains on ceilings or wall
- Peeling paint - could be water damage
- Standing water
- Musty smell or visible mold (attics too)
- Wood rot around doors, trim, decks, etc.
- Leaking faucets or low pressure
- Rattling when faucets turn on
- Drains empty slowly
- Water stains under sink/toilet
- No bathroom or kitchen ventilation
- Exposed wires or warm outlets
- Flickering lights - Check main panel

HOT TIP

Search www.Zillow.com for "red flags" in the home's sales and price history like a large, price gap indicating a probable past flip or foreclosure.



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