

DS SHUMWAY
DESIGN QUESTIONNAIRE

1. What is the amount of the proposed budget to build (excluding your lot)?

2. How many square feet are in your current residence?

3. Are you looking for more space, or to down size?

4. Do you have an ideal “size range” for the home? (Square Feet)

5. How many people (adults and children) will reside in the home?

6. Do any of the occupants have special needs to consider, and/or do you want to design the home for a time when they may need to be considered? (Wheelchair, limited mobility, height limitations, medical requirements, live-in assistance, etc.)

7. Do you prefer homes with a single story, story and a half, two story, or more than two stories? (excluding basement)

8. Do you desire a basement, and if so, do you want a walkout basement?

9. Do you desire the home to be built using traditional wood framing, steel framing, Timbers/Logs, ICFs, Masonry, SIPs, or some other structural building method?

10. Is there a particular architectural style that you are drawn to in residential architecture?

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11. Are there any architectural elements you desire to incorporate as siding, roofing, ornamentation, or focal points in the design? (Stone, Brick, Wood, Stucco, Slate, Copper, Wrought Iron, Trims, Pediments, Balustrades, Porte Cocheres, Balconies, Porches, Chimneys, etc.)

12. Are there any specific geographic or logistical elements that should be considered and/or taken advantage of or screened? (Views, a large tree, a long approach/drive, steep slope, tight setbacks, proximity to neighboring structures, passive solar, etc.)

13. What do you consider to be the most important room in your home?

14. What do you consider to be the most used room in your home?

15. Do you entertain or have house guests often?

16. Do you enjoy more formal or more casual rooms?

17. Do you open your whole house to guests, or do you prefer to keep guests in "public" areas.

18. Do you like open floor plans, or separate rooms?

19. If you had to sacrifice some storage space or some living space, which would you most likely choose to sacrifice?

20. Do you cook a lot and how many "chefs" are in the kitchen?

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21. Do you desire a formal dining room?
22. How many bedrooms do you require, and how many would you prefer?
23. How many bathrooms do you require, and how many would you prefer?
24. Do you want a “mudroom” as part of the “service entrance” of the home?
25. Do you want a Laundry Room?
26. Do you want a Den/Home Office?
27. Do you want a Craft Room/Studio?
28. Do you want a separate Home Theater?
29. Do you want a Game Room? (Billiards, Ping Pong, etc.)
30. Do you have large musical Instruments that need to be considered in the design?
(Piano, Harp, Drum Kits, etc.)
31. Do you want a dedicated “Music Room” for these instruments?
32. Are there any special sound-proofing needs?

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33. Are there specific furnishings that need to be designed for and incorporated?
34. Do you have other specialized or dedicated rooms that you desire? If so, please list them.
35. Do you have any room elements that you specifically want to incorporate if possible? (Window Seats, Fireplaces, Clipped Ceilings, Vaulted Ceilings, Window Walls, Palladian Windows, Sunken Tubs, Kitchen Islands, etc.)
36. How do you plan to heat and cool the home? (Forced Air, Radiant, etc.)
37. Do you have any special requirements that impact the capacity and placement of the Mechanical, Plumbing, and Electrical systems to be used in the home? (Shop Equipment, Power Tools, On-demand Water Heaters, etc.)
38. How much off-street parking do you need to accommodate?
39. How many cars do you want to keep in a garage, and do you prefer a detached or attached garage?
40. Do you have a Boat, Coach, or other vehicles (four-wheelers, motorcycles, riding mowers, bicycles, etc.) that need to be housed? And if so, do you prefer a separate outbuilding or incorporating them into the garage?
41. Is outdoor living space something you want to incorporate into the design of the home? (Porches, Pools, Outdoor Kitchens/BBQ, Gazebos/Pergolas, etc.)

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42. Are you an Owner/Builder, or do you intend to use a General Contractor?
43. If you are using a General Contractor, do you have one selected? (If so, please provide their contact information.)
44. What is the property street address and the legal plat name?
45. Is it part of a Home Owners Association or Private Urban Development?
46. Aside from the local municipality or county entity, is there an Architectural Committee or some other entity that must approve the proposed design?
47. What is your desired timeline for breaking ground, and when do you expect to be able to move into the completed residence?
48. Do you anticipate needing or wanting to use my services as an Owner Representative through the construction process?
49. Do you desire products beyond the scope of minimal Construction Documents? (3D models, Interior Elevations, Landscaping, etc.)
50. Please provide any additional information that you think would be beneficial and that hasn't already been addressed: