

Four Priorities for Your Best Charlottesville Retirement Property

Whenever you set about planning for a move to a new home, particularly if you are an experienced homeowner, you usually don't need to create a whole new priority list of factors you'll be looking for.

But by the time you have capped off a full career—when retirement is definitely part of what your future holds—you're well advised to give added weight to factors that weren't key considerations in previous house hunts. One source of advice for Charlottesville residents intent on finding the best retirement property is to consult with a Buyer's Agent who really sympathizes with your needs—an Accredited Buyer's Representative (ABR® for short!) is recognized as being a master of the trade and really gets "it"! Admittedly, the list of basic considerations for locating the best retirement property includes some that are hardly limited to future retirees. Two of the top priorities ("*affordability*" and "*security*") are prime considerations for Charlottesville house hunters of every stripe. But the list of factors that are especially important in retirement includes these four:

Maintenance—Realistically, even the most enthusiastic do-it-yourself handyfolk will eventually encounter physical limitations. Taking that into account can ultimately "be a literal lifesaver."

Mobility—If Charlottesville homes featuring ground floor master bedroom suites are increasingly in demand, this is one good reason. Baby Boomers are a large demographic which is steering local building trends to include 1st floor master suites!

Convenience—Your best retirement property is likely to be one with amenities within easy walking distance. Close proximity to golf or tennis facilities, entertainment, shopping, and dining will make keeping active a low-stress daily option.

Pets—Not often given a high enough priority, the emotional and physical benefits of life with the right choice of 4-footed or 2-winged friends is a factor worth considering. The best retirement property could well be one that easily accommodates them.

A youthful outlook is worth adopting throughout life—but realistic accommodation to advancing age is actually a shrewd way to maintain exactly that. If retirement will factor into the choice for your next Charlottesville home, give me a call. Working together, I will help you find and snag your best retirement property!



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Born and raised in the Shenandoah Valley of Central Virginia, I love everything outdoors. Most of my free time is spent hiking, rock climbing, playing water sports, or cooking out on the back deck with friends. As a child, my parents built me with the core values of a southern gentleman. Trust starts with honesty and honesty builds integrity. I'm a technology guru! One of my favorite hobbies is restoring old homes in depressed neighborhoods to meet the needs of our generation today. My mission is to build a career worth having, a business worth owning, and a life worth living. Being GREEN® is more than just the resource efficiency of your home. It's a lifestyle choice! Let's discuss how to minimize your carbon footprint in everyday life by simplifying your daily commute, decreasing your household energy costs, and boosting the efficiency and sustainability of your daily routine!

I'm an Accredited Buyer's Representative (ABR®) with the National Association of Realtors. Which means I have extensive training to help walk you through the home buying process from start to finish. From lenders and home inspectors to mortgage agents and closing companies, together we will find the best home for your family's needs!

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