

## Preparing your home for photography

Photography is important - the buyer of your home is likely seeing your home for the first time either online or at the open home. First impressions last. Here are some tips for preparing your home for professional photography.

### De-Clutter!

- Pack up “knick-knacks”.
- Clear unnecessary items from horizontal surfaces. Pay special attention to kitchen and bathroom benches. Also take any magnets etc off the front of the fridge.
- Ensure children’s toys are neatly stacked away.
- Clear away shampoo bottles etc from showers for the day of photography also make sure showers are nice and clean especially glass walls and doors.



### Dress up the rooms

- Towels in bathrooms look great folded neatly, put bathmats away.
- Bed coverings should be crinkle free.
- Curtains look better when they are neatly opened.
- Blinds appear neater when set to the same tilt degree.
- Vacuum through, check for cobwebs.

### Lighting

Although our professional photographer brings special lighting equipment, we also turn lights on in the house.

- Make sure that light bulbs are in working order - don’t forget bedside lamps and the kitchen rangehood.



### Outside is just as important as inside



- Ensure that the lawns have recently been mowed and are looking their best.
- If you have an outdoor sun umbrella, put it up.
- Collect and remove loose leaves from around the garden (especially in Autumn).
- Sweep paths, clear any clutter.
- Wipe down glass outdoor tables.
- Put away the hose and move BBQ if you have one to a prime position if in good order or move away if looking a bit tatty.
- Tidy any outdoor pots.
- Water blast if necessary any mouldy areas.

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