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Now head to Pinterest or Houzz.com for some kitchen inspiration. Decide on a budget. This can be a harder number to nail down depending on if this is a full gut remodel, remodel using existing floor plan, or cosmetic. This can range from \$20,000 to well over \$200,000.

Bathrooms

(Again, these are some general questions to get you started, I have a more exhaustive list that I send our clients.)

- Do you like the function of your bathroom?
- Do you have a place for everything you want in the space?
- Do you like the flow from your bathroom to the bedroom?
- Do you like the location of the sink?
- Do you prefer to take baths or shower or both?
- Do you have natural light from a window?
- How is the existing lighting? Do you have existing task lighting?
- Do you have enough outlets?
- How big is the space? Do you want it bigger? Wider? Smaller?
- How is the countertop? Does it hold up the way you want it to?
- Do you like your backsplash?
- Do you like your sink? Do you like having the round, oval or square bowl?

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- Do you have enough room for your makeup?
- Do you like your mirror/s?
- Do you like your faucet? The finish? The Style?
- Do you have enough cabinets for towels and sheets?

Head to Pinterest or Houzz.com for bathroom inspiration. Decide on a budget. Similar to kitchens, this number can be difficult to nail down.

Hopefully these tips will help jumpstart you on your home project(s). How you use your space and what you want in your space is important and it is worth the time and effort to discover these. Until next time friends!



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