



ROOM BY ROOM

Front Entry Design Comment Summary *

1. A good front entry should be easy to identify, easy and safe to access (minimal steps, railing, well lit at night), visually pleasing, sheltered from the elements, and large enough to accommodate not only the arrival and departure of people, but also of large items such as appliances and furniture. (Doug R, Frank, Deborah McP, Paul)
2. A covered porch - a great place to sit outside, interact with neighbors and watch the world go by. (Doug R, James Scott, Addie, Belle, Frank, Jim A)
3. The door should be a pleasure to operate... swing smoothly and securely, and appeal to the senses. (Deborah McP, Frank, Tina)
4. Access for mobility limited friends and family. (Jim A, James Scott)
5. Natural light for day and in-closet lighting for night (Terri)
6. A combination of natural light and privacy. The ability to see guests outside the door and yet not have them view deep into the home. (Elizabeth, Jim A, Deborah McP, Frank)
7. A place to sit to put on/take off shoes and boots and put them away (CL, Elizabeth, Terri, Cat, Grace, Deborah McP, Frank)
8. A mirror and some sort of shelf or piece of furniture for mail, keys, dog leash etc. (Terri, Belle, Cat, Grace, Deborah McP, Frank)
9. A closet that can store more than coats—scarves, umbrellas, and footwear (Terri, Deborah McP, Frank)
10. A durable floor surface, yet not slippery (Belle, Jim A)
11. A sunken mudroom to prevent outdoor dirt from spreading in the house. Everything stays within the boundaries of the mudroom until it gets vacuumed. (CL, Doug)
12. A powder room that is close by. (Cat, James Scott)
13. An “Energy switch” to ensure that non-essential electronics are OFF. (Deborah McP)

*Based on a summary of comments made up to June 3, 2009