Understanding INVESTMENT PROPERTIES

What to know if you're thinking of buying an investment property of your own.

LOCATION

The neighborhood should positively impact your home's value and attract tenants or tourists. Make sure the property can generate enough rent income to comfortably cover your mortgage, plus property taxes, repairs and HOA fees.

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DOWN PAYMENT Investment properties

require a higher down payment if they're not owner-occupied.The law says 20% minimum, but it doesn't hurt to put down 30% if possible.

VACATION RENTAL

PROS

- More upfront ROI
- Flexible pricing
- Personal use

CONS

- Require more management
- Inconsistent occupancy
- Local laws vary

INSURANCE

Rental property insurance or landlord insurance covers property damage, lost rental income and protects against liability. Separate insurance exists to protect your vacation rental.

LONG-TERM RENTAL

PROS

- Consistent income
- Easier to manage
- Tenant-paid utilities

CONS

- Longer commitment
- Takes time to find the right tenant

Using AirBnB or VRBO to rent your investment home?

Vacation rental regulations vary by city and province. Get familiar with your local laws before listing on any site.

FINDING TENANTS

- 🗸 Run a credit check
- ✓ Verify income
- ✓ Do a background check
- ✓ Require renters insurance
- ✓ Request references
- Consider a property manager to find and work with tenants.

REASONS **TO INVEST** in Rental Property

Investment properties come with several benefits. Depending on your situation, here are a few you may enjoy.

Earn extra income

from rental payments

Increase your wealth as the property value rises over time

> Get certain tax deductions depending on your situation

Diversify your investment portfolio



Your tenant's rent helps cover the mortgage

A guaranteed vacation spot when your vacation rental is vacant

Contact me to find out what purchasing an investment property would look like for you!