

LOG HOME QUICK START INSTRUCTIONS



GETTING YOUR *AUTHENTIC LOGHOME* ROLLING

1. Select a building site
2. Determine if this will be a full time residence, second home or investment property
3. Establish a budget-\$175-\$300 per square foot average cost for turnkey construction
4. Make a simple sketch of a basic plan-number of bedrooms, bathrooms, room sizes
5. Create a dream list- make a picture album of things you would like for your home
6. Find an experienced builder or consultant-have them create a basic budget & building plan
7. View some of the builder or consultant's past projects
8. Have the builder or consultant visit the building site-this is obvious

Note: Do not select the log supplier on your own, this is an invitation for disaster

Note: Be sure your builder has had experience working with the log supplier

Note: Get preliminary budget costs-be honest with the builder about your budget

ALL OF THE ABOVE SHOULD COST YOU NOTHING

NOW YOU ARE GOING TO START SPENDING

- Hire a builder or consultant to get you going-generally 3-4% of preliminary building cost
- Create a set of "working plans"- generally \$2/\$4 per square foot & usually refundable
- Refine plans & budget with the builder or consultant-zero in on costs
- Contract with builder or consultant- sign a very complete contract-"no handshakes"
- Obtain the necessary insurance from the builder or consultant

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DO'S AND DON'TS

DO'S

- Be sure your contractor or consultant is flexible to changes and willing to share ideas with you
- Get a time line, payment schedules and get it rolling
- Be sure the person you are working with passes your “intuition test”
- Make sure you have multiple log choices with only the best log crafters in the world
- Visit your builder or consultants work
- Explore being your own general contractor by using a consultant who works for you
- Be sure the one you hire has experience in lighting, accents and furnishing

DON'TS

- Do not hire people you do not have a good feeling about
- Do not select your log package before you hire your builder or consultant
- Be sure your builder or consultant has the experience and know how
- Do not hire just anyone-Authentic hand crafted log homes cannot be built by just anyone
- Do not look to find the cheapest price it will not work out, buy experience
- Do not rush the planning process it takes 4-6 months for proper planning

***ENJOY THE EXPERIENCE THERE IS NOTHING LIKE A
HANDCRAFTED LOG HOME***