



7 HOME SECURITY TIPS

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Lock Your Doors and Windows

Always ensure your house is completely locked before leaving. Even if you're running to the store for 20 minutes, that may be all the time it takes for someone to walk right in and help themselves to your valuables.

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Tuck Your Valuables Away

Leaving valuables where people can easily see them through the windows may increase your risk of a break-in. Criminals are far more likely to target a house where they can immediately see something worth stealing before they even try the door handle.

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Invest in Security Cameras

Installing security cameras around your property might sound like a big hassle. But in the modern era, setting up a few non-permanent cameras that can keep your home secure is easy. Setting up an indoor camera in your front window that faces the door is a great way to deter package theft or uninvited visitors.

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Keep Your Property Well-Lit

Criminals are far less likely to operate under a giant spotlight as they break your house's window. Use of motion-sensing lights can surprise and even deter intruders. You can also invest in switches indoors that will put your lights on a timer or controlled by a smart app to make it seem as if someone's home even when you're out of the house.

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Press Pause on Your Posting

Posting about your vacation on social media is akin to rolling out the red carpet for thieves looking for vacant homes to rob. If your profile is public, anyone can find your socials and see you won't be home. From there, all they have to do is pick a time and help themselves to your valuables.

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Don't Leave Delivery Boxes in Plain Sight

Consider having valuable packages delivered to a location with people or requiring delivery. You can also ask for packages to be left on the back door so they are not visible from the street.

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Protect Your Outdoor Valuables

Consider securing your grill, lawnmower, bicycles, etc. Cable locks used on bicycles may be sufficient deterrent to cause thieves to look elsewhere.