Feng Shui for 9429 Tartan Ridge **Dani Homes**



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The free flow of energy, or chi, is one of the major approaches of Feng Shui. This led to the open and spacious design of the Dani Home. Along that same concept, the energy should surround and nurture occupants. To assist with this, the front door should not align with a back door or window. Classic Feng Shui works holistically so we assessed the structure, landscape, and interior. Other structural aspects that support Feng Shui:

- An entrance should not open to stairs. This creates an unsettled feeling. Dani Homes' grand staircase was offset for this reason.
- The address, 9429, totals to a six (when reduced to a single digit). Six represents hard metal which implies money.
- There are ten openings (doors, windows) viewable from the front. Ten (when reduced to a single digit) totals to one. One represents new beginnings.
- A front-loading garage enables people to see in. Besides this being a security concern (people know when you're home and what's in your garage), this implies people 'getting into your business,' an intrusion so to speak. A back-loading garage is more desirable as now you control what others have access to.
- The yin/yang concept was also carried to the outdoor living space. There are curved arches over the patio.
- This concept is at the front entrance as well. Notice the curved stairs. They create a sense of 'welcome here,' as they're more approachable than straight lines and 90-degree angles.

Examples of Feng Shui in the landscape:

- The Southwest of the plat represents earth. Earth is supported by earth colors (yellow, tan, and brown) and fire colors (red, pink, and purple).
- West and Northwest represent metal. Metal is supported by elements made of metal and earth. This is where the outdoor living area resides, which is made of stones and pavers.
- The water pond in an ideal location (in back). This raises the home's energy; whereas in other homes water in back could be a detriment. Too, it's important for the pond's water to flow toward a structure because this means prosperity for occupants. Two stone fountains distribute water 360 degrees -- so anyone enjoying the pond will also receive good energy.
- A boulder was placed in the Southwest corner of the house. This remedies a Feng Shui term called missing corner, and provides energy to the head female, the homeowner's marriage, and supports love in general.
- A tree line addresses a missing corner (and otherwise loss of energy) in the SE. The SE represents the eldest daughter and family in general.
- Because the house's back (sitting position) is in the West, it is a soft metal (Dui) trigram. Dui has a kua (or energy number) of seven. There are seven trees along the street.
- A trellis in back creates a sense of intimacy as one enters the outdoor living space.

Examples of Feng Shui for the interior:

- Feng Shui should be felt not seen. The use of statues, trinkets, or "love" corners is a misnomer. The French/modern eclectic style was not compromised with artifacts that are out of place.
- We selected specific paint colors for certain areas to reduce risk factors. Faux finishes were added to compensate as well.
- There should be a good mix of yin (female, soft, dark, curves) and yang (male, hard, light, straight lines). One example is the media room which has a lot of wood details (framing straight lines). Electronic equipment is also yang; so, to bring balance, circles were painted on the wall and incorporated into furniture and furnishings.
- The great room has a state-of-the-art fireplace. The fireplace is stainless inserted into a stone wall. Metal and stone are both hard, or yang, surfaces. Again, to introduce a yin (or soft) influence, the fireplace bowl is round and has oval rocks in it.
- Mirrors disburse light and disrupt sleep. A mirror should not be placed at the end of a bed, or reflect directly over a bed. If a mirror appears in a bedroom, it is tactically positioned.
- Mirrors, when placed in the dining room, represent abundance (because they double the image of food and people enjoying the food) and enough for all. Mirrors here also improve conversation and entertainment.
- There are several surprises strategically placed: A water fountain, a metal sculpture, and an abstract clock. The latter two represent moving metal.