

GUIDE TO WORKING WITH A BUILDER

1 » Initial Interview

Meet with 2–3 builders in person to determine compatibility. You will be spending a great deal of time together so chemistry is essential.

Ask to see a portfolio.

Evaluate level of skill & complexity in past projects. Is builder is capable to build the style & scale you have in mind?

Ask for architect recommendations. Evaluate skill & complexity of designers & architects that the builder has previously worked with.

2 » View a Project

Ask the builder to arrange for you to see a completed project or one in progress. Inspect for a level of quality that you feel comfortable with.

Interview by phone past clients.

Hire your architect

3 » Conceptual Drawings

Architect or Designer will create conceptual drawings to help you visualize what your project will actually look like.

4 » Preliminary Budget

Based on the conceptual drawings, your builder can now prepare a preliminary budget of what it will cost to build.

5 » Working Drawings

Your architect will now create working drawings. These construction documents are the blueprint for your project.

Permit process begins.

Contractor finalizes project budget.

Secure financing: construction loan.

Start Building

Establish a schedule for regular team meetings that will include your architect, interior designer, and builder.

Prepare to make decisions on finishes by visiting showrooms and consulting with your team of experts.

Allow for time to make decisions.