

Westridge Homes

Builder combines values
and craftsmanship to
create unique
lifestyle-friendly homes



Walking around Regan Tameling`s home, the Westridge Homes difference is obvious. Every feature of the home has been carefully thought out and executed with meticulous attention to detail. The layout is distinctive and the house`s placement on the site allows for additional windows to take advantage of the natural light while providing views in both directions along pastoral parkland stretching past the backyard.

The living room, dining room and kitchen are all open to each other, yet the home`s design and finishes make each area feel distinct. From the dark wood beams accentuating the living room`s vaulted ceiling to the wainscoting and crown molding in the

dining room, the home is punctuated by details and craftsmanship not commonly seen in newer homes.

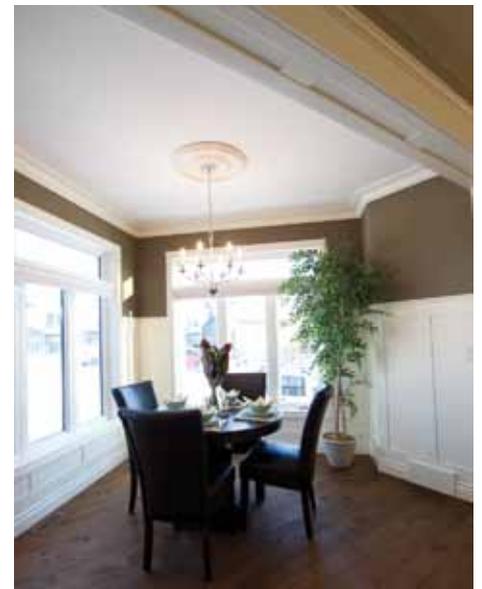
A touch of luxury and old-fashioned charm combines with the contemporary elements of the home. The great room spaces are open, yet warm and inviting. One can easily imagine gathering with friends around the island as dinner is being prepared, continuing to visit in the intimate setting of the dining room and rounding off the evening in conversation around one of the home`s two cozy fireplaces.

It is a truly extraordinary home, and because it houses the company`s offices, it gives clients the unique opportunity to experience a finished Westridge home firsthand.

Values make the difference

“Our values are what make us different” says Tameling, Westridge Homes` managing partner. “We treat our clients as friends and that special sense of commitment is built into each of our homes. We take a lot of pride in providing exceptional design, construction and after sales service for our homeowners.” This dedication has earned the company several customer service and design awards in both Saskatoon and Regina.

Westridge Homes attributes high customer satisfaction to the strong relationships they establish with each homeowner be-



fore and after they take possession of their new home. "Right from the start, we work with our clients and listen to their requirements, concerns and wishes" says Tameling. "We try to eliminate any surprises and when it comes to decision-making we explain the positives and the negatives to help them make the decision that will suit their lifestyle. We are building their dream home and we want our clients to be involved in the entire process, one hundred per cent."

Education and experience

The Westridge Homes team has been building homes in Saskatoon for more than

10 years. Tameling has been in the business for almost 20 years, laying the groundwork for his career by earning a diploma in architectural technology. The three-year course covered all aspects of residential and commercial design, construction and building sciences. His first job in the industry was with a company that exported pre-fabricated homes to Japan. "Early in my career I learned to pay attention to detail, to be accurate, precise and very organized," says Tameling. "I didn't want to have to fix a problem for a customer who's half a world away."

The company's construction manager, Mark Mitchell, and site supervisor, Aaron Keays, are both journeymen carpenters

and have played a key role in Westridge Homes from the start. "As a team we are committed to doing things right even if it takes longer," says Mitchell. "Because of our education we know and understand why things are done the way they're done. We use that knowledge and our experience on a daily basis to make sure the right decisions are being made on site."

Do it right

Westridge Homes has always put quality first and restricts the number of homes they construct in a year. "We know our limit and will not jeopardize our quality to squeeze in a few more homes," says Tameling. Approximately 40 per cent of

Westridge's homes are custom-designed for specific customers while the other 60 per cent are custom homes built on spec. Each spec home is original and has its own personality. Plans are chosen and modified to fit the building site and finishes are selected to suit the home and its future owners."

Working with some of Saskatoon's top tradespeople, Westridge Homes knows that what you can't see has to be finished to the same high standard as what you can see. "The homeowner may never see what's inside the walls but we know," says Tameling. "Quality throughout the building process avoids problems in the future and creates long-term customer satisfaction. For that reason we monitor each of our sites every day to be certain that the home is completed to our standard. Our customers deserve that."

To go along with their "do it right" attitude, Westridge Homes has developed its own set of building standards, which include items such as stiffer floor structures, increased concrete reinforcing and additional exterior flashing around windows and doors. The company has also implemented its own inspection program to ensure quality control is achieved at each stage of the building process.

Homes designed for the way you live

The proper building practices are not the only thing Westridge Homes is passionate about. "We take a lot of pride in making each of our homes unique and original," says Tameling, noting that the company recently added designer Tara Lefebvre to the team. "As a custom home builder, having a professional on staff to assist in the home design and finish choices was a logical step for us," he adds. "Clients who are building a new home often welcome a second opinion and this is another great service we can offer to make their experience more enjoyable."

The company focuses on building homes that complement the way people live while working within the constraints of their budget and including as many of their 'I wants' as possible. For example, Westridge Homes are known for their abundant use of windows placed to provide the best views and the most natural light. Kitchens are well appointed with large islands, lots of storage, and practical layouts and finishes. Lifestyle, traffic patterns and furniture layout also influence



the home's design, and Westridge tries to work convenient additions, such as mud rooms, main floor or second floor laundry rooms, built-in closet organizers and over-size garages into each of their homes.

A local company with the right stuff

Westridge Homes is part of the Saskatchewan-owned Westridge Group of Companies that recently celebrated 20 years in the commercial construction industry. They are also active in residential construction and land development in Regina and Deer Valley. In Saskatoon, the company builds primarily in the new neighborhoods around the city but has also done some infill homes in established areas.

Westridge Homes will build on your site or the company maintains a good selection of building sites for clients to choose

from. The company also maintains an inventory of available custom homes under construction ready for new homeowners looking for quick possession.

Satisfied customers continue to tell their friends and family how happy they are with their new Westridge home. Real estate agents confidently recommend Westridge to their clients. And the quality of Westridge's spec homes sells itself.

"We have built this company on strong values," says Tameling. "When you build a good product and treat your clients with friendship and respect, they will share that experience with friends and family. Our homeowners have always been our best salespeople."

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