Buyer's Guide





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Chris Hurwitz is more than a top-producing real estate agent in Colorado —he is a father, a fighter, and a trusted guide through life's biggest transitions.

Originally from the Midwest, Chris grew up in Deerfield, Illinois, where he learned the value of hard work, humility, and showing up for others. After earning his bachelor's degree in Pre-Physical Therapy from the University of Dayton, he eventually made his way west to Colorado, where he's called Denver and Lafayette home since 2010.

His own life experiences shaped Chris's passion for real estate. After his son Oliver bravely overcame leukemia following more than three years of treatment, Chris developed a deeper understanding of what "home" truly means. It's not just a structure—it's a place for healing, for rebuilding, and for new beginnings. That experience continues to fuel his advocacy for the Make-A-Wish Foundation, an organization that brought joy and healing to his family. Today, Chris is a proud supporter and fundraiser for the foundation.

With a background in health and wellness and a former career as a professional trainer, Chris brings discipline, structure, and genuine care into every client relationship. He's known for his thoughtful, client-first approach—whether he's coaching someone through a complex sale or guiding a family through a big move.

As a Compass Colorado Top Producer and a member of Be One—the #1 producing mega-team in the state—Chris offers high-level expertise with a heart-led touch. Every listing he takes includes a staging consultation with one of his design professionals, helping clients declutter and prepare their homes to make the best impression. It's all part of his belief that details matter—and so do people.

Chris stays actively involved in the local community as a member of the Longmont Chamber of Commerce, where he serves on the Public Policy Committee and participates in the Home Pros Group, collaborating with builders, contractors, and other home professionals. He loves making connections and being a resource beyond the transaction.

When he's not working, you'll find Chris hiking with Oliver, shooting hoops, learning the ukulele, or simply enjoying the Colorado outdoors. He believes real estate is about more than closing deals—it's about creating stability, sparking possibility, and helping people move forward with confidence.

If you're looking for a real estate advisor who leads with both skill and soul, Chris Hurwitz is ready to help you write your next chapter.

Notable Sales



2215 South Monroe Street5 BD 5 BA 5173 SF \$2,065,000



3400 Tejon Street 3 BD 4 BA 3599 SF \$1,845,000



7059 Fairways Drive 5 BD 4 BA 2874 SF \$1,134,700



1029 Treece Street 5 BD 5 BA 4510 SF \$1,399,000



6486 Warriors Run4 BD 3 BA 4233 SF \$1,225,000



380 South Ivy Street 5 BD 4 BA 3214 SF \$1,059,000

How'd It Go?



"Throughout the entire process, we genuinely felt that Chris and his team had our best interests at heart. We didn't just hire an exceptional realtor; we gained a true friend."

Christine Brownfield

"Chris is an amazing real estate agent! He helped us buy our first home and was able to get us a 2:1 buy down! He's very knowledgeable about the Colorado area and was able to get a great competitive price for the offer and look out for the future value of the home."

Blake Williams

"Chris is very personable and easy to work with. His expertise and knowledge when it comes to the housing market proved to be an invaluable asset to have on my team. Trust Chris to go above and beyond his required duties to get the job done."

Sesha Chetlur

"Chris was an amazing asset in the home-buying process. He made it a personal experience that was second to none. I will be recommending Chris to anyone who may be in need of a great agent.

Anthony Rivera

"One word: OUTSTANDING. Chris is a go-getter. I truly believe he is a big time reason we got our house. Not to mention, Chris is responsive and thorough. We will use Chris again!"

Caroline Beavers

"Chris Hurwitz is an incredible agent. He worked tirelessly to help me purchase a wonderful home in Denver in early 2022 - from out of state. It was his professionalism and consistency that made it the easiest close I've ever had."

Zak Garriss

"Chris is always a pleasure to deal with. He's hard working and always on top of things. We bought 2 properties through him this year!"

COMPASS EXCLUSIVE TOOLS AT MY FINGERTIPS

In the world of real estate today, it's not enough to simply keep up with the latest technology — you deserve an agent who's always one step ahead. At Compass, I have access to AI-driven technology to deliver a modern buyer experience that is collaborative, seamless, and hassle-free.

Compass Collections

With Compass Collections I can curate a group of listings based on your personal preferences in a visual workspace. There, you can compare multiple properties, monitor market activity in real time, stay in constant contact with me, and invite collaborators to join in on the discussion - all in one central place.

Private Exclusives

A private exclusive listing is an offmarket home that can be shared by a Compass agent directly with their colleagues and their buyers. As your agent I can provide visibility into these listings.



Compass CMA

Powered by AI, Compass CMA is a tool that lets me provide you with real-time market insights on comparable homes in the area. Now you can feel more confident that your next home is in the right price range and that you are making a competitive offer.

Compass Search

Compass Search lets you sort by a wide range of features and amenities to pinpoint the perfect home. Plus, you can discover exclusive Compass listings that you cannot find anywhere else and receive realtime notifications of new homes with customized Saved Searches.

GET AHEAD WITH THE COMPASS ADVANTAGE

Investing Billions in Tech to Find Your Next Home

You deserve an agent who has the world's best real estate technology keeping them one step ahead. That's why I chose Compass, a forward-thinking brokerage where the technology of the future is changing outcomes today. Not only has Compass invested over \$1.5B dollars in tech over a 10-year period₁, but we continue to spend more than \$100M annually on research and development₂ to help our agents make buying easier for you.

A 29K+ Network of Top Agents Nationwide

Buying successfully isn't just about what you know, but who you know. When it comes to your next home purchase, Compass has a strong, connected network. In 2023, 17.5% of Compass transactions resulted directly from referrals to Compass³, demonstrating the ability of our agents to help clients navigate markets everywhere at the highest standards. Not only do I have direct access to the country's top properties and the agents who represent them, but I'm keenly attuned to the nuances that make each market so special.



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Residential Real Estate Brokerage in the United States₄ \$186B

2023 Gross
Transaction Values

29K +

Top real estate agents across the country₆

Key Strategies to Get Your Future Home Under Contract

- 1. First Entry/First Offer
- 2. Appraisal Gap Language
- 3. Removing Contingencies
- 4. Non-Refundable Earnest Money
 - 5. Limiting Inspection Language
 - 6. Incentivizing the Offer
 - 7. Escalation Clause
 - 8. Post Closing Occupancy



AFRAID OF BUYING

at the Top of the Market?

Afraid of buying a home and then seeing the value of your home go down in the following years? We hear you, so we pulled the numbers for the Average Sale Price for homes in the Denver 6 County Area.

Be Confident. In the Denver-Metro Market, home prices have increased 45 out of the last 49 years (even last year)!



\$310,761

JUNE 2007

The PEAK of the real estate market

In June of 2007 the average home price in Denver metro was \$310,761.

Purchase

\$328,377

JUNE 2012

5 years after the worst crash in history

In June of 2012 the average home price was \$328,377.

Your home would be worth almost **\$18,000 more** than your purchase price.

5 Years

\$424,517

JUNE 2015

The average homeowner lives in their home for 8 years

If you held that 2007 property for the 8year average, you could have sold for \$424,517.

Your home would be worth \$113,756 more than the 2007 acquisition.

8 Years

\$800,013

JUNE 2023

If you were patient and held the property for 16 years

If you had more patience than the average American and held the property until June of 2023, you could have sold for \$800.013.

Your initial 2007 investment would have earned you a cool **\$489,252 in** appreciation.

16 Years

*Average is for detached single family homes for the 6 counties of Adams, Arapahoe, Broomfield, Denver, Douglas and Jefferson.



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STEPS TO HOMEOWNERSHIP

01 Buyer Consultation

First, we will connect for an initial consultation to discuss what you are looking for in your next home so I can help guide your search.

02

Buyer Representation Agreement

We will establish a mutual business agreement. This document is designed to increase transparency by laying out my obligations to you, in addition to details on term length, compensation, termination, exclusivity, representation, and property criteria. Once we are both aligned with the terms of the agreement, you will be asked to sign before I can show you or send you any properties.



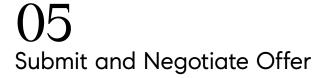
03 Get Pre-Approved

If you are obtaining financing, getting a pre-approval letter from a lender before submitting an offer is important because it shows you are more likely to meet the proposed settlement date. A pre-approval letter and a good faith estimate from a lender will also give you insight into the projected down payment, closing costs, and expected monthly payment.

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()4Find Properties That Meet Your Criteria

Using the Compass CMA tool, I will run market analyses on comparable properties in the area to give you a clear understanding of current market value. Together, we will identify your ideal home's location and amenities, and attend open houses in a range of areas. I will listen to your continued feedback and activate a 'collection,' or specialized search for properties as they hit the market until we find a home you love.



Once we find the right home, we will collaborate on a competitive offer. The offer is an agreement to pay a certain price for the home if accepted and may include other terms, such as whether you are waiving any contingencies or in how many days you are willing to close. It is my job to guide you through the decision-making process to ensure you are confident with our offer.



06Sign Contract

Your contract is the agreement between you and the seller to purchase the property for a specific price. Also defined in the contract of sale is the settlement company, date of settlement, and earnest money deposit amount.

If required, an Escrow Deposit is the amount of money that the buyer will put in an escrow in good faith to demonstrate to the Seller that they are serious about purchasing the property. The money will only be deposited if the contract is signed and agreed by both parties.

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Home Inspection, Disclosures, Reports, and Repairs

It is my responsibility to coordinate all desired home inspections within the agreed timeline and contractual contingencies. We will also review and discuss the disclosures and preliminary title report. You may approve or negotiate credits and/or repairs. Prior to closing, remember to schedule a final walk-through of the property to verify property is still in acceptable condition and any negotiated repairs were done.

08 Loan Application and Appraisal

If you are obtaining financing, your lender will let you know the list of financial documents necessary to provide to the lender, including a couple months of bank statements, tax records, pay stubs etc. Typically, you will have a mortgage contingency of the agreed upon length to obtain a mortgage commitment. Once your lender has all of your documents, they will review them and issue a Clear-to-Close, which means your loan is complete and the file will be sent to the title company for closing. Your lender will have an appraisal done on the property.



09 Closing

Congratulations! You are now a homeowner. Welcome home!

BUYER REPRESENTATION AGREEMENT

Ideally, before we start seeing properties, I ask clients to sign this agreement that allows Compass and me, as your agent, to legally and exclusively represent you and your interests. It establishes a formal relationship between us and outlines the terms and conditions under which I will represent you with your property search.

Essential Components of the Buyer Representation Agreement:

- **1. Scope of Services:** Defines the services I will provide you including property search, property showings, negotiation, and assistance with the purchase process.
- 2. Property Type and Location:

The agreement may include details about the type of property you are interested in (e.g. single family, condo, commercial property, etc.) and the geographic area where you are looking to purchase.

- **3. Duration:** The agreement specifies the period during which you are committed to working exclusively with me (typically 6 months).
- 4. Compensation: The agreement specifies how Compass will be compensated as it relates to your representation. We can have a conversation at the start of your search to discuss payment scenarios so we can memorialize it in writing in this agreement. Commissions are negotiable.

We will review the agreement together before I ask you to sign anything.

KEY TERMS TO KNOW

Adjustable Rate Mortgage (ARM)

A mortgage with an interest rate that changes over time in line with movements in the index. ARMs are also referred to as AMLs (Adjustable Mortgage Loans) or VRMs (Variable Rate Mortgages).

Adjustment Period

The length of time between interest rate changes on an ARM. For example, a loan with an adjustment period of one year is called a one-year ARM, which means that the interest rate can change once a year.

Amortization

Repayment of a loan in equal installments of principal and interest, rather than interest-only payments.

Annual Percentage Rate (APR)

The total finance charges (interest, loan, fees, points) expressed as a percentage of the loan amount.

Assumption of Mortgage

A buyer's agreement to assume liability under an existing note that is secured by a mortgage or deed of trust. The lender must approve the buyer in order to release the original borrower (usually the seller) from liability.



Balloon Payment

A lump sum principal payment due at the end of some mortgages or other long-term loans.

Cap

The limit on how much an interest rate or monthly payment can change, either of each adjustment or over the life of the mortgage.

Certificate of Reasonable Value (CRV)

A document that establishes the maximum value and loan amount for a VA guaranteed mortgage.

KEY TERMS TO KNOW

Closing Statement

The financial disclosure statement that accounts for all of the funds received and expected at the closing, including deposits for taxes, hazard insurance, and mortgage insurance.

Condominium

A form of real estate ownership where the owner receives title to a particular unit and has proportionate interest in certain common areas. The unit itself is typically a separately owned space whose interior surfaces (walls, floors, and ceilings) serve as its boundaries.

Contingency

A condition that must be satisfied before a contract is binding. For example, a sales agreement may be contingent upon the buyer obtaining financing.

Conversion Clause

A provision in some ARMs that enables you to change an ARM to a fixed-rate loan, usually after the first adjustment period. The new fixed rate is generally set at the prevailing interest rate for fixed-rate mortgages. This conversion feature may cost extra.

Cooperative

A form of multiple ownership in which a corporation or business trust entity holds title to a property and grants occupancy rights to shareholders by means of proprietary leases or similar arrangements.

Earnest Money / Escrow Deposit

The portion of the down payment delivered to the seller or escrow agent by the purchaser with a written offer as evidence of good faith.

Escrow

A procedure in which a third party acts as a stakeholder for both the buyer and the seller, carrying out both parties' instructions and assuming responsibility for handling all paperwork and distribution of funds.

FHA Loan

A loan insured by the Insuring Office of the Department of House and Urban Development; the Federal Housing Administration.

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Heather Ledgerwood | Mountain View Home Staging & Redesign | 303.960.9928

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First American Home Buyer's Protection | 970.404.5099 Landscaping

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Inspectors

Pillar to Post | 303.772.1997

Scott Home Inspection |303.373.2424

Insight Inspections | Darwin Wissink | 303.652.3828

Property Inspections | www.5280propertyinspection.com | 720.295.2240

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Flatirons Insurance Group – Nathan Beach | 720.593.2524

State Farm — Austin Domsc | 303.321.0895

Gillach Insurance Agency – Tim Gillach | 303.425.1193

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Krista Payne | 303.618.0961

Urban Works – Renee Urban | 720.273.8208

H2H Staging and Design | Courtney Brewer 303.810.9942

Window Elegance (Install: Window treatments, blinds, shutters) 303.666.8153

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Neisheim's | 303.666.8888

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Apex Plumbing - 303.215.1348

Argus Industries Jake

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Stucco Experts

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Arborscape | 303.904.8904

Davey Tree Service | 303.502.9450

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Window Genie (Cleaning and other services) | 720.573.8950

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Louisville Glass | 303.665.2303

Glass Doctor of Boulder | 303.444.4527