

# Rating *Barbie's* Dreamhouse

Upgrades Throughout the Years



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# Home Is Where the Hearth Is: Fireplace (1990)

A fireplace provides warmth and sophistication, but can also **boost the resale value of Barbie's Dreamhouse by 6–12%.**





## Now We're Cookin': Minor Kitchen Remodel (1998)

Small kitchen renovations, such as updating cabinet fronts, faucets, and appliances, can result in a **15% higher ROI than major overhauls!** So — just like Barbie — you can attract potential buyers by giving your kitchen a facelift.





## Outdoor Oasis: Deck Addition (1998)

Adding an outdoor space is a priority for many homeowners — including Barbie! When it comes to recouping the investment, **choosing the right materials can earn you up to 65% back.**





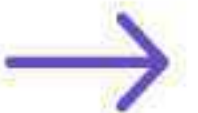
# Work and Play: Home Office (2018)

Believe it or not, buyers care more about a home office than whether a house is move-in ready or even its square footage! In fact, it can potentially **increase resale value by as much as 10%.**



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# Splish-Splash, Shell Out More Cash: Pool (2021)

An in-ground swimming pool is an upscale addition — and an ideal spot for Barbie to catch some rays. But **ROI varies by area and can mean higher energy and homeowners insurance costs**, so you'll want to do your homework before taking the plunge.





## A Superficial Selection: Waterslide (2023)

This 2-story waterslide is **luxurious, but isn't likely to add any ROI**, especially when potential buyers see the impact on homeowners insurance.



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# **Inspired by Barbie's Dreamhouse updates and want to make some yourself?**

Hometap's Renovation Calculator can help you determine which projects to prioritize and get estimates of cost and ROI.

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