



Green is good!

Check it out — you decide...

WHAT?	WHY?	David Weekley Green Home	1999 and Older Home	Competition
SEER Rating HVAC System	Higher number = More efficient This means less energy dollars out of your pocket.	14	10	
Variable Speed Furnace	Variable Speed = Better Humidity Control and Less Energy Used Your home will cost less money to heat and also offer superior humidity control.	80% YES!	80% NO	
Vinyl Windows and Low E2 Glass	Windows are a <i>huge</i> energy drain. Vinyl framed Low E2 windows deflect much more of the Texas sun, resist sweating and humidity, and don't radiate heat like metal windows.	YES! and YES!	NO and NO	
Radiant Barrier Decking	Hot attic = Less efficient HVAC system Radiant Barrier Decking (under shingled roofs) reflects solar radiation keeping attics cooler, and the temperature in your home more stable.	YES!	NO	
R-Value Ceiling Insulation	Higher number = Less outside heat comes into your home Less outside heat means less use of your air conditioning – saving you money.	38	30	
R-Value Wall System	Higher number = Less outside heat comes into your home Again, you can save energy by keeping outside heat where it belongs – outside!	16	11	
Air Conditioning Filters	Higher = Better filtration A higher number indicates a more efficient filtering of the air in your home.	MERV 10	3	
Mold Resistant Shower and Tub Walls	Cement Hardiebacker™ Board and Anti-Fracture Coatings (No Sheetrock or Greenboard allowed in wet areas)	YES! and YES!	NO and NO	
Fresh Air System	Better air quality. Air can become stale. In tighter environments with reduced drafts, a fresh air system helps you live better in your home.	YES!	NO	
Draft Elimination	The amount of air that leaks through your walls, doors and ceiling on an hourly basis. (Lower number is better – the less air that leaks, the less you need to stabilize the temperature with your HVAC system.)	Less than 25% (Leakage)	50%+ (Leakage)	
Quality Control/ Inspections	No one is perfect and mistakes can be made. Third Party verification on all homes.	YES!	NO	

In the 21st century if it's not green, it's just not a good investment.

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