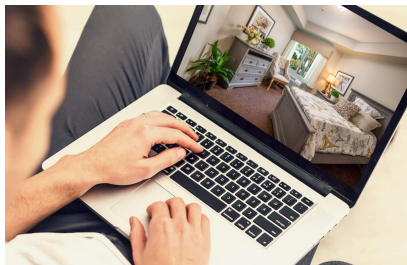


Did you know?

Love at first sight is real.

Turns out, falling in love does not take as long as we think. It is proven that you can fall in love in as few as four minutes.



When you finally conclude that you need to make a residential placement for a loved one with dementia, it is important to feel equipped to evaluate your options.

During a tour, family members rely on their personal viewpoints instead of considering the needs of their loved one.

To help you with your search for the right place for your loved one we have identified three areas to consider when touring.

Consider These 3 Areas When Touring Communities for Those with Dementia

1. Environment

You may be impressed with beautiful surroundings, expansive dining rooms, and a myriad of amenities. Your loved one with dementia, however, may experience trepidations or agitation when they find themselves in these types of large public spaces.

2. Population

During a tour, you may witness a myriad of residents in a lively social environment, which may be appealing to family members. Take the time to meet residents with dementia and get to know future companions of your loved one.

3. Accommodations

When touring, you are already visualizing a dream room set to look picture-perfect. Finding the right community involves more than just a room. Ask about a typical day for the residents and see the entire community from your loved one's perspective; is it inviting and easy to navigate?

Bottom line: We invite you to change your point of view. When touring a new community, what is appealing to you may not be right for your loved one. In your search for the right place for your loved one to live, it may be beneficial to look less at the private accommodations or expansive spaces and focus more on the activity program and the feelings of comfort a community can lend to your loved one.

To read more about how the living experience can differ from your perspective to your loved one's, [click here](#) to view the entire article.