



TOM AND AMANDA AT CLIFFSTONE ROWHOMES

The Best of All Worlds

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Although a few taped boxes remain in one corner of the living room, Tom and Amanda are clearly delighted to be right where they are — unpacking in their new home at Cliffstone Rowhomes in Maple Ridge. “It’s our first time owning, so we still wake up in the morning and ask ourselves if we’re actually here at last,” Amanda says.

QUALITY BEHIND THE WALLS

When it came to quality, the couple had a rare opportunity to truly understand the attention to detail that went into their rowhome. “I’ve been a site supervisor for Foxridge for about seven years, so I see first hand the care that goes into everything they build,” Tom explains. “Inside, these home feel just like a single-family house and are finished to exactly the same level — but they’re more affordable and we aren’t paying strata fees every month.”

Amanda also has some special insights — as a professional photographer, she’s photographed many of Foxridge’s showhomes. “Their quality control and customer service are amazing, and they’re such nice people to deal with — even long after the sale.”

MAKING IT HOME

After only a week, the couple are already infusing a unique *joi de vivre* into their new home. The main floor flex-room, which Amanda says was a big part of Cliffstone’s attraction, has been transformed into a much-needed office for her freelance business. “Where we lived

before I was trying to work in a dark, cramped bedroom upstairs. Now I have my own bright, open space right beside the front door.” Her laugh has a contagious spontaneity and warmth. “I made it the girliest room in the house — starting with adding a really blingy chandelier.”

Fair was fair though, so Tom laid claim to the fourth bedroom for his Man Cave. “I took out the closet, paneled one wall in reclaimed wood, and now I’ve got a place where I can display all my sports memorabilia there,” he says.

LOOKING AHEAD

As if moving day wasn’t already chaotic enough, the two new sofas they’d purchased for their living room arrive late that afternoon. “It was a long day,” Amanda admits. “But when we sat on those sofas with a glass of wine to celebrate, it was all worth it. We’ve got a wonderful home, it’s a great neighbourhood, and at night it’s so quiet you can even hear the frogs and crickets. We’re definitely planning to be here for a long time.”

For information about Cliffstone Rowhomes visit foxridgehomes.ca.