



Renting Apartments and Houses in Kiev!

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Roadmap to Avoid "Issues"

When Renting Apartment or House in Kiev

1. Introduction

Before you start reading this guide, I would like to deliver an important message to you.

Visiting Kiev and Ukraine is a great experience. Many people visited and enjoyed.

However, every local market has its peculiarities and if you do not pay attention to them, you can spoil the great experience of being in one of the most beautiful parts in the world.

When creating this guide, I did not want to overpack you with general tips that are universal for nearly every location on the globe.

Still, many of the universal rules work in Ukraine as well.

For example, you get what you pay for. No explanation needed. And this universal rule works in Ukraine as well.

Now, let's get down to the **LOCAL ISSUES**. Typical to Kiev and renting the dwelling in Kiev.

2. Photos NOT Enough, Ask for Videos



Don't be surprised that apartment photos that you can see on professionally designed Kiev real estate web sites often do not meet the real picture of the apartment.

Not that these are photos of another apartment, this is too primitive, and not a single serious real estate agent in Kiev will do that.

But what you can often meet even with reputable agencies is that they have **old photos of the apartments**.

Often they just get a database of pictures, contact phone numbers and rarely visit even 50% of the apartments they give for rent.

It's not because apartment rental companies in Kiev are mean. They just want to get a bigger share of the market and reach the size when they cannot control what they offer on the web site.

In this respect smaller real estate agencies and apartment brokers can be a better option. Usually they have just 15-20 apartments in their contact list. But they have seen these apartments and houses personally.

When watching the photos on the site, please keep in mind that they are **done by professional photographers who know how to "sell an apartment" in the photo**. You got the point.

You see great looks, but the real case experience of getting into the same apartment can be less pleasant.

The solution is simple – ask for videos.

Maybe the video is not that professionally designed, and the quality of it lacks. But you see the REAL situation.

With the video in hands you can understand how you will feel inside.

You can even feel the ATMOSHPERE of the place when watching it.

Video is a definite helper to see what you are paying for.

3. Learn Kiev Districts



Kiev is big. It has lots of parts that can be dramatically different in your visiting experience.

Without any doubt you can save \$20-\$40 per night if you stay in the part which is far from the downtown of Kiev. But this is not the best choice, because it's not just about the apartment you rent or house that you rent.

It is also about the infrastructure around you.

In the downtown and districts like **Pechersk** and **Podol** are much better in terms of infrastructure and what you see around you.

Plus, in these districts you are close to lots of architectural and historical landmarks. This makes the choice of Pechersk and Podol to be ideal in terms of comfort and sightseeing.

With other districts the experience can change.

Often avoided by the tourists are locations like:

- **Troeshchina,**
- **Borshchagovka,**
- **Vinogradar,**
- etc.

The list is much bigger. But the rule of a thumb is simple.

The more distance from the downtown, the less comfortable you get.

Though there are exceptions from this rule. For example, Obolon is generally considered to be a less comfortable area. But inside Obolon you can find a good dwelling facing the river.

"Riviera," as my foreign friends like to say when staying in Kiev. Great view of the river, lots of nice food places, people walking and smiling.

Of course, rental prices in places like that are higher. But the experience is unforgettable.

So, an ideal option is to ask your agent about possible options. Because you can be lucky to get a great place to live for a very good price.

4. Outside – Closest Neighborhood



Usually Kiev apartments for rent are of a good quality – you can always choose a cozy, nice place to stay in.

But make sure to ask your rental helpers about the way to the apartment or home. **Ask them to check the closest neighborhood.**

In the street, from the door to the elevator, right around your door – how does that look like in real life?

My friends from Sweden who have been in lots of different apartments often chose gorgeous apartments, “closing the eyes”

on nasty staircase and ugly looking elevator. But this is because they know the realities and inside the apartment they get into a true oasis.

Still, you would not likely want to sacrifice anything when you visit Kiev.

And you SHOULD NOT!

All you need is ask your agent to make sure and check this personally for you. Yes, you can lose 1 day on it, but if you plan a visit in advance – checking this will pay you off in the future.

Especially if this is a long-term visit and you will have to face these realities day after day.

Ask the agent to check it, send you the information, you will see with your own eyes.

And will make nicely balanced choice.

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