Sometimes the apartments without pictures posted are the best finds.

Apartment hunting can be competitive. Make a good impression on the person showing you the apartment—it can help give you the edge over other apartment hunters.

Be nice to your landlord! They control the rent and whether you get to keep your place. Report any problems right away, follow rules and express your gratitude. We deliver our rent checks in a cute card every month, and our rent hasn’t gone up in 3 years.

Schedule viewings ASAP and ALWAYS view the place in person.

Try to get the first viewing of the day & bring your check book. If you like the place, you might need to move fast!

If you’re trying to figure out how to pro-rate a new place, calculate based on square footage of each room. This saved us a lot of drama between roommates!

If you’re hunting with roommates, come up with a shared list of priorities and nice to haves. We created a rating scale when we were looking for my last place which helped make rankings less subjective.