All **doors are locked** at night and every time we leave the house—even if it’s just for a few minutes.

Doors are solid hardwood or metal-clad.

**Spare keys** are kept with a trusted neighbor, not under a doormat or planter, on a ledge, or in the mailbox.

The **sliding glass door** has a strong, working key locks, and a dowel or a pin has been installed to prevent the door from being shoved aside or lifted off the track.

**Every window** in the house has a working key lock or is securely pinned.

**Outdoor lights** are on in the evening—whether someone is at home or not, or a motion-sensitive lighting system has been installed.

**Mail and other deliveries** have been stopped or arrangements for a neighbor/friend to pick them up have been made when we go away from home for a period of time.