

Features of Roomies.co.in

Existing Features

Search & Listings

- Users can search for rooms / flatmates.
- Listings of rooms & profiles, showing price, gender, age, location, etc.
- Ability to view either:
 - “Need a roommate? List your room”
 - “Looking for a place? Create your profile”

Listing a Room

- **Create Room Listing:** Add property details (rent, deposit, availability date, furnishing).
- **Upload Photos/Videos:** Showcase the room and amenities visually.
- **Specify Amenities:** Tick options like Wi-Fi, washing machine, gym etc.
- **Set House Rules:** Indicate preferences like no smoking, pets allowed.
- **Set Rent:** Define monthly rent and any additional costs.
- **Managing Availability:** Edit, pause, or close listings when filled.
- **View Interested Roommates:** See profiles of users who express interest.
- **Chat/Message Option:** Directly connect with potential roommates.
- **Profile Verification Options:** ID verification or social linking for trust.

Searching for Roommates

- **Build Personal Profile:** Add age, gender, budget, location preference, and lifestyle details.
- **Preference Filters:** Choose roommate type (e.g., students, working professionals, non-smokers).
- **Browse Available Rooms:** Search listings with filters for rent, amenities, and city.
- **Express Interest:** Like or message room listers directly.
- **Save & Compare Rooms:** Bookmark preferred listings for easy comparison.
- **Notification Alerts:** Get updates on new rooms matching your criteria.
- **Profile Verification:** Option to verify identity for higher trust among hosts.

Secure Messaging System

- Communication must go through their messaging system first to protect privacy.

Trust & Reviews

- They show a Trustpilot rating (“Rated ‘Excellent’ from over 3,000 reviews”) to build credibility.

Browse by City

- Top cities are listed (Mumbai, Bengaluru, Chennai, Ahmedabad, Hyderabad, Jaipur) for filtering or quick access.

Verification of Mobile Number / Account

- To access some features (e.g., view contact numbers, social media of other users), user must verify mobile phone.

Dashboard / Account Management

- Users have a dashboard to manage their listings, deactivate them, or pause them.
- Options in account settings: alert settings, privacy of number, etc.

Help / Support

- Links to support sections: Help, Contact Us, Terms, Privacy.
- They have pages for Verifications, ID checks, Inspections, Community standards, Safety & security, Free roommate agreement etc.

Opportunities for Improvement

- **Map View of Listings:** Interactive map to visualize available rooms/flatmates by location.
- **Neighborhood Insights:** Show area safety, nearby amenities (grocery, gyms), and average rent prices.
- **NLP Powered Search & Matching:** Allows users to search in natural language, with the system understanding intent and preferences to deliver smarter matches.
- **Short Term Rentals:** Feature for people looking for temporary accommodations (e.g., internships, project work).
- **Rating system:** The tenants and property owners are rated by people who previously have been tenants or landlords with them
- **Notification System:** The notification system pings as soon as someone has shown interest into the property. If the landlord takes a long time to respond the property is less suggested to upcoming users because the listing may now be irrelevant.