

## Homeswapping gaining in popularity

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If you haven't planned your summer vacation yet and are looking for an economical option we may have your answer.

You need to have a sense of adventure and little flexibility if you're going to do a house swap.

By day Connie Greene is a teacher at Walton Verona High School, her husband is a Cincinnati firefighter, but in their off time the Greens are house swappers.

"I'm always looking for a bargain something really cool like that."

So they listed their riverfront house just outside of downtown on [homeexchange.com](#). It's a website that lets people switch houses for vacation. The greens just got back from Hilton Head.

"They left it full of groceries, robes, and wind breakers and bicycle restaurant recommendations. Those two people were the nicest two people we never met."

And the owners of the Hilton Head home took over the Greene's house downtown for a week in exchange. The best part:

"It's free and to rent the place we stayed in I can't imagine," but Connie admits you have to have a sense of adventure and be ok sleeping in someone else's bed.

"Every time I go away I sleep in a bed someone else has slept in."

There's a certain amount of trust that comes with swapping your house for someone else's.

"All the fears you have about them coming into your place they have about you going into theirs."

The Greens have gotten swap offers from both coasts and as far away as Australia. They're pleasantly surprised with the number of people who want to come to Cincinnati.

"Maybe people would need to come here for a conference or a convention or event and a location like this might be preference over a motle or hotel."

And even if your pad doesn't boast views like this or similar accomodations, with 27 thousand listings in 120 countries on [homeexchange.com](#) finding a swap to match your pad isn't as tough as you might think.