# Milne-Sherwood Report

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Milne-Sherwood

Market Watch

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Latest 6 Month Recap of Solds - Oct 1, 2014 - Mar 31, 2015

4 762,750

5 902,200

3 874,667

730,500

840,000

776,667

1 508,500

3 393,300

26

2

1

1.5 to 3 storey detached

3 bedroom

4 bedroom

split-level

3 bedroom

4 bedroom

5 bedroom

bungalow

1 bedroom

3 bedroom

3 bedroom

townhouses

3 bedroom

Total

link

# sold avg price low price high price days on

595,000

659,000

840,000

11,460,000 1,460,000 1,460,000

719.000

508,500

377,500

736,000 1,240,000

712,000 1,002,000

877,000

802,000

840,000

903.000

508,500

424,900

# Double digit volume and price growth

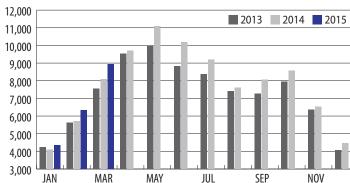
**GTA Resale Home Sales** 

Bullock Dr

Milne-Sherwood

Milne Dam

Main St



The TorontoMLS® system recorded double digit volume and price growth in March. On the volume side, a total of 8,940 sales occurred in March, which was up by an eye-popping 11.0% versus the 8,052 units sold in March 2014. The detached home segment led the charge with a volume gain of 14.0%, closely followed by condo apartments (+12.7%) and townhomes (+8.9%). Sales of semi-detached homes fell by 3.5% versus last March. These solid overall volume gains clearly demonstrate continued affordability of home ownership, with lower interest rates going a long way to mitigate the effect of rising home prices. In addition, there is ample evidence of pent-up demand particularly as it relates to the low-rise market segments. This augurs well for continued strong competition between buyers and further price growth for the balance of 2015.

Speaking of prices, the average selling price for a resale home in the GTA in March was \$613,933 - up by a whopping 10.0% versus the \$557,982 average price posted in March 2014. This price represents an all-time high for the GTA and is also the first time that the \$600,000 barrier has been eclipsed. The MLS® HPI Composite Index, which factors sales mix changes out of the equation, was up by a solid 7.9%. This indicates that at least some of the double digit price growth was due to increased sales of higher priced homes as a percentage of the total. Price growth occurred in all major market segments: detached homes (+10.9%), townhomes (+9.7%), semi-detached homes (+9.2%) and condo apartments (+4.3%). Once again, tight inventory was a major contributing factor to the strong price growth (active listings were down by 7.5% versus last year).

## Message from Paul & Irene...

#### Mortgage Rate Wars Back

With the recent lowering of its five-year fixed mortgages to 2.79% from 2.99%, the Bank of Montreal has triggered a fresh new battle in the ongoing Canadian mortgage rate wars. Almost immediately after the BMO announcement, TD Canada Trust announced that it would match the new lower rate. To put this in some historical perspective, this is the lowest ever posted five-year mortgage rate by the so-called Big Five Canadian banks. Major lenders have had a recent tradition of cutting their rates at this time of year, in the lead-up to the key spring home buying season. While those rates are certainly enticing, alternative lenders boast even lower rates than the major banks. Within this group, the current lowest five-year fixed rate is 2.49%. Good time to buy!





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Ma<u>y 2015</u>



Updated Southdale Backsplit

**4 Southdale Drive** - Desirable 3 bedroom and 3 level backsplit located in sought after Milne Conservation Area, renovated eat-in kitchen, family room, walk to Roy H. Crosby P.S. and St. Pats. **Asking \$859,000** 



Large Bakerdale 4 Bedroom

**50 Bakerdale Rd** - Great value in desirable Milne Conservation area. This 4 bedroom home features over 2,200 sq. ft., finished basement and 50 Yr Steel Shingles. Walk to Roy H. Crosby and St. Pats. **Asking \$799,000** 

### **RECORD SALE PRICE**



Updated Bakerdale Bungalow

**4 Bakerdale Road** - SOLD OVER ASK - RECORD PRICE For an Alcan Bungalow, Must See! Gorgeous sun filled. Large windows, hardwood floors and access to double garage. Walk to Roy Crosby. **Asking \$829,000** 

# Elements of the perfect master bedroom

Your master bedroom should be a sanctuary. But aside from the bed, you'll need a few key elements to create a space that feels fit for rest and relaxation. Whether you're decorating your first master or want to spruce up an existing room that isn't quite working for you, here are a few master bedroom essentials to get you started and how to best use them.



#### Rugs

Early mornings are difficult enough, but having stark, cold flooring be the first thing your feet touch makes those early mornings all the more unpleasant. Remedy that by placing a rug right at the spot where you would swing your feet out of bed. While a large area rug that sits mostly under the bed and extends a few feet on either side is ideal, this option can also be pricey. Instead, try using runners placed alongside the length of your bed.

#### Mirrors

They're a convenient place to check your outfit, but sitting up to your mirror image in the morning can be a jarring sight. Proper placement is the key to hanging mirrors in your master. Try placing two long mirrors at either side of your bed. And take note of what will be reflected in the mirror – see if you can reflect a great piece of artwork or well-loved photo for an image you won't mind seeing twice.

#### Seating

Whether you're reading a book or want a place to put on a pair of socks, seating is a must. A simple chaise or arm chair works, or spring for a love seat or full couch for more seating. A bench at the foot of your bed is another good space-conscious option, or use a chest and gain a bit of extra storage.

#### Bedside table and lighting

You'll need a place to keep all of your night-time essentials. Look for something with a drawer for discrete, clutter-free storage or go minimal with a floating shelf. If you tend to read or do work in bed, find a lamp that's high enough to provide adequate lighting while you're reading, or install a wall light. If you prefer to use just one nightstand, balance the other side with an ottoman, stool or a mid-height floor lamp.

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