Meridianville — #1 of 5: Share of Homes That Are Single-Family Detached

# Meridianville leads Alabama in single-family homes

93.8% of homes are detached — source: ALEX Intelligence, 2026

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# 93.8%

**Share of Homes That Are Single-Family Detached (2024)**

Meridianville holds the highest share of single-family detached homes in the Huntsville metro area.

This level of single-family dominance is unmatched across Alabama's major urban centers. It reflects a deliberate, long-term development strategy focused on low-density, standalone housing, which aligns with the area's strong demand for privacy, space, and suburban autonomy. The trend suggests that Meridianville is not just a residential extension of Huntsville, but a distinct housing ecosystem.

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Source: U.S. Census Bureau, American Community Survey 5-Year Estimates, 2024 · ALEX Intelligence computation
https://alex-companies.com/data/2026-10-31-huntsville-single-family-share-place-mkt

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# Suburban identity is self-reinforcing

Meridianville's 93.8% single-family share isn't a fluke — it's a structural outcome of zoning, infrastructure investment, and developer preference. The city's long-term commitment to single-family development has created a self-sustaining cycle: low density attracts families seeking space, which in turn attracts builders and local services that preserve the character. This creates a feedback loop where new construction reinforces the existing model, making large-scale change unlikely without a major policy shift.

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## Housing diversity lags behind growth

While Meridianville leads in single-family share, this concentration limits housing diversity. This imbalance could constrain long-term demographic flexibility, especially as younger residents and remote workers seek more varied housing types. The city's future growth may depend on whether it can evolve its development model without eroding its core identity.

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