

“The Hamptons In Montecito”

...Where East Coast Inspiration Meets West Coast Living.

Imagine that distinct New England feeling-- a keen sense of traditional East Coast style paired with the unmistakable beckoning of classic grandeur—surrounded by absolute peace and solitude.

Inspired by the Cape Cod style of Robert Stern, designed by architect Don Nulty and built in 2008, this shingle-sided, slate-roofed estate commands the optimal blend of formality and approachability, presented behind solid wood entry gates atop an expansive circular cobblestone drive. The southwest-oriented main residence boasts more than 10,000 square feet of fine craftsmanship, along with detached guest quarters and a generous pool house plus cabana. All of this comes inconspicuously situated on more than two acres of prime view land, perfectly secluded above the Pacific Ocean in the region’s best microclimate.

Enter into a welcoming foyer adorned with walnut herringbone flooring. Gaze up the grand circular staircase while noting the home’s intricate woodwork in the form of hand-carved pillars, exposed beams and coffered ceilings. An open and flowing floor plan showcases a magnificent span from end to end, from entry straight through the living room and out the extraordinary curved-glass windows— and, down a wide, stately hallway from family room patio on one side to octagonal sunroom on the other, overlooking a traditional boxwood-lined rose garden.

Easily rolling oak pocket doors offer the choice of openness or privacy for the formal dining room. Similarly, the adjacent full wet bar and 1200-bottle temperature-controlled wine room can be open to the living area or elegantly concealed.

Carrera marble countertops grace the massive butler’s pantry and even more extensive kitchen, where six-burner Wolf range and double dishwashers highlight the many superior culinary appointments. Just off the kitchen and adjoining breakfast nook comes an inviting family room with a stackstone fireplace and impressive built-in entertainment center.

All five main residence bedrooms are en-suite, with one on the main floor. The master quarters open onto a private deck with panoramic views, in addition to the impressive his-and-hers bathrooms, dressing rooms and closets that spare no detail. The three remaining upstairs bedrooms each feature their own walk-in closets and cozy window seats. The crafts room/upstairs playroom opens onto yet another balcony with a tremendous ocean/harbor view, while a back staircase leads directly down to the kitchen, not to mention the convenient laundry chute into the bright and vast utility room. Finally comes the home’s complete third lower level, accommodating a multi-purpose gym/music/game room and separate 10-seat projection theatre with stage.

The property's lush green landscaping and mature foliage provide 360 degrees of natural beauty, maintained by a private well producing 23 gallons per minute with an 8000-gallon water storage capacity.

The backyard begins with a flowing wrap-around flagstone patio including outdoor fireplace and built-in BBQ, accompanied by open spans of green lawn, garden sculptures, native shrubbery and large boulders gently descending to the 65-foot saline swimmer's pool, spa for 10, pool house and cabana, topped off with a direct view to the Santa Barbara harbor and beyond. Adding to the diverse recreation offered here, the sports court provides paddle tennis, basketball, volleyball and badminton, while the 5-hole putting green will keep your game sharp.

Nature abounds amid a well-secluded creek with its surrounding native elements. Such a near yet seemingly faraway habitat becomes a child's wonderland adorned with huge log bridges, handcrafted ash benches, a Buddha rock, and even a very special "tree fort." Quickly escape the indoors via a hillside orchard leading down into this entirely private enchanted getaway.

Back inside, finishing touches come in vintage speaker covers for the 21-zone Sonos audio system, alongside richly upholstered wall coverings, hand-painted wallpaper, numerous antique crystal chandeliers and sconces, and detailed crown moldings, baseboards and wainscoting. The details continue with exquisite heavy nickel and pewter hardware, stained glass pieces, computerized air/heating system, central vacuum, and sash windows with chain-and-pulley mechanisms and dropdown pocket screens, in addition to oval porthole pivot windows that complete that Cape Cod look. All of this is woven together with a significant yet tasteful use of soothing colors throughout every room, effortlessly emphasizing all architectural details.

A grand total of seven bedrooms and thirteen baths, four indoor and two outdoor fireplaces, two three-car garages with ample work areas, and a second off-street service entrance, altogether present complete livability and functionality for every member of the family and staff.

Imagine that distinct New England feeling, and come home to a masterpiece blending 20th century craftsmanship with 21st century amenities. Welcome to "The Hamptons in Montecito."