

# EXCEPTIONAL ATHERTON ESTATE WITH ENTERTAINMENT COMPLEX



## 311 STOCKBRIDGE AVENUE, ATHERTON

**W**elcome to this unforgettable estate located on a very private lot in West Atherton, offering the best in gracious family living combined with the ultimate facility for entertaining and exercise. This property features a grand Mediterranean home fully updated with the best of modern amenities. The home boasts six bedrooms, seven bathrooms, four original fireplaces, formal dining room, kitchen/family room, formal living room, large study, sun room, wine cellar, and a central "Great Hall" with a sweeping grand staircase, huge stained glass windows and 22 foot high ceilings. Originally built in 1919 for one of the town founders of Atherton, the home has been completely renovated while still retaining original features such as hardwood doors, columns, plasterwork and Palladian windows throughout.

Adjacent to the house is the fantastic entertainment complex added in 2003. This vibrantly hued and richly detailed structure includes a full bar and kitchen, two ornate baths and a great entertaining space (with fireplace) capped by a spectacular hand-carved and hand-painted domed ceiling from Morocco. Six glass doors pocket into the wall, opening to a terrace with a bubbling fountain and a view of the lush lawn and garden. Down a curved staircase, the lower level's main attraction is a huge theatre with 14 foot ceilings, a stage, a fireplace and a 120-inch cinema screen hidden behind automated curtains. This room was designed for fantastic acoustics and can be configured for intimate parties or larger functions, movie showings or live performance. Adjacent to the theatre is a fully-equipped large gym, full bathroom with steam shower, a vault, and an outdoor patio with fountain. A secret tunnel back to the main house adds a special element of fun and mystery.

A broad terrace runs the length of the rear façade of the main house and overlooks the wading-depth pool with waterfall-style fountain, surrounding patio, pavilion with outdoor fireplace, and in-ground spa with fountain. Wrought-iron gates, original to the property, open to the guest parking area and paved, circular drive. This is a magical, one-of-a-kind property, and a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity to own one of Atherton's finest properties. Please enjoy the video of the property and plan to visit in person, must be seen to be believed!

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## MAIN RESIDENCE

- Wrought iron double doors, ornamented by scrollwork and topped by a fanlight, open to the vaulted front porch
- Glass Palladian doors lead into the **formal entry**, which leads past the study and the living room to the central hall
- The **study** has a wood-burning fireplace with a carved wooden mantel, nine-foot-high paneled wooden doors, and two built-in bookcases of rare gumwood
- The magnificent **living room** boasts an elaborate, wood-burning fireplace, nine-foot-high paneled wooden doors, Palladian windows and decorative pilasters
- The baronial, 22-foot-high, two-story **central hall** connects the first-story living spaces and provides access to a rear terrace with views of the **patio and pavilion**
- The stunning **dining room** features a grand, wood-burning fireplace, dentil crown moldings, and five glass Palladian doors opening to the **rear terrace**
- The large **butler's pantry** separates the dining room from the spectacular chef's kitchen, and is equipped with a brass sink, ice maker, wine rack, and wine cooler
- The well-appointed **chef's kitchen** beautifully coordinates distressed maple cabinetry with granite slab countertops and limestone floors
- The adjoining **family room** has an informal dining area with built-in platter racks, computer desk, and media cabinetry
- The **mud room**, with half-bath, allows access from the kitchen and family room to the circular drive
- The **laundry room** has hook-ups for full-sized washer and dryer, a deep soaking sink, and shallow shelving for additional pantry storage
- Tucked beneath the staircase, adjacent to the cloakroom, the **guest powder room** has a decorative, marble, bowl-style sink and a stone tile floor
- The staircase ascends from the central hall to the landing, which features a brilliant stained glass window, and continues up to the colonnaded **second-story balcony**
- Upstairs, the **master suite** features a **lavish bathroom**, a fireplace, walk-in closet, and breathtaking views from four large, true-divided light sash windows
- The **corner guest bedroom suite** has two true-divided light sash windows, hardwood floors, plus a **private bath** with a marble countertop and a steam shower
- The large **guest bedroom suite** has a true-divided light window, hardwood floors, plus a **private bath** with a marble countertop and antique French tile floor
- The **sunroom** has Palladian windows on three sides framing the best views in the house; two glass doors lead to the balcony and the large guest bedroom
- **Two smaller bedrooms** each offer a storage closet
- A large **hallway bath** features two sinks set into a Carrara marble countertop, a tub/shower, and a terra cotta tile floor
- A small staircase ascends to the third-story **gabled bedroom** with built-in bunk, plus a charming **bath** with a pedestal sink and an old-fashioned claw-foot tub
- The lower level includes the original 1,500-bottle **wine cellar**, a heater room with workbench, an **office** with built-in desk, and **bonus room** attached to the tunnel



SUMMARY OF FEATURES

## ENTERTAINMENT COMPLEX

- The top-level **great room** is ornamented by two recessed banquettes, a beehive fireplace, Jarra wood floors and a glorious domed ceiling
- Six glass doors pocket into the wall to create a 20-foot opening to the **upper terrace**, which surrounds a hand-carved, antique, white marble fountain
- The **full kitchen** is equipped with top-of-the-line appliances including a Scotsman ice maker, Miele dishwasher, Sub-Zero refrigerator, Sub-Zero freezer drawers, Thermador 6-burner range and oven with custom hand-hammered copper range hood, red slab granite countertops, and an intricate tile floor
- The ladies' **bath** has a Labradorite counter, an iridescent mosaic shower with a domed ceiling, and a shimmering, dark blue composite stone floor
- The men's **half-bath** has a hammered sink in a red granite countertop, and a custom urinal of slab Labradorite topped with antique tiles from Iran and Morocco
- A curving, vaulted staircase descends to a doorway curtained in draperies
- The **media/concert room** has a stage, two built-in banquettes, a gas fireplace, 14-foot ceilings, theatre-quality screen and projector, and classic disco ball
- Dark blue velvet, motorized curtains conceal the **projection screen**, a room-sized vault with an antique door, and the tunnel to the main residence
- The **control room** next to the stage contains panels for the computer-controlled lighting, a console for mixing music, storage, and the building's heater
- Glass doors open to the **lower terrace** with its fabulous, hand-laid fountain, mural, and staircase to the circular drive
- The adjoining **gym** has an exposed steel beam, 14-foot ceiling, stained concrete walls, enormous mirrors on two walls, ballet barre, and rubber flooring
- A **full bath** is located beyond the gym and contains a pedestal sink, a steam shower lined in tumbled marble tiles, stained concrete walls, and marble floor
- The adjoining, fully-finished, **three-car detached garage** has electronically operated doors, extensive built-in cabinetry, and storage shelves

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## THE GROUNDS

- Flickering gaslights perch on four massive pillars constructed of San Francisco cobblestone and swathed by creeping vines
- A **large fountain** ringed by colorful flowers is the centerpiece of the **paved circular drive**
- Mature **tea roses** of every color march down the drive; a fruit orchard and a **vegetable garden** occupy a sunny spot
- Graced by its original balustrade, a broad terra cotta tile **terrace** runs the length of the rear façade of the main house
- An **outdoor kitchen** with a DCS Professional grill and smoker, a two-burner gas stove, and a stainless steel sink with disposal is just outside the dining room
- Steps lead down from the terrace to the limestone and terra cotta **patio**, which surrounds an enormous **wading-depth pool** with a waterfall-style **fountain**
- The spacious **garden pavilion** features a gas-lit fire pit; a custom-crafted, wrought iron chandelier is suspended from the lofty redwood ceiling
- In the corner of the garden, the **decorative spa** is built-in and is plumbed with a secondary fountain feature; the spa can be remotely controlled from the house
- The **lush lawn** is bordered by a profusion of exotic plants including red cannas, queen palms, banana palms, lavender, and bird-of-paradise
- In the rear garden, the **elaborate wrought-iron gates** and semicircular bench with the winged lion detail are original to the house
- The property is ringed by a variety of evergreen trees and shrubs, and is **completely fenced** with a remotely operated wrought-iron security gate



# ADDITIONAL FEATURES

## MAIN RESIDENCE

- Ten-and-a-half-foot ceilings in living room, dining room, and study
- Palladian windows and doors and nine-foot-high paneled wooden doors original to the house
- Updated and upgraded electrical system
- Beautiful millwork frames doors, windows, and crown moldings
- Six indoor fireplaces and one outdoor fireplace
- Five water features
- Guest parking for 12-plus cars
- Multiple-zone landscape lighting
- Three amplifiers power 26 speakers; eight control zones property-wide can be set to any one of six entertainment channels selected by the user
- Five land phone lines
- DirecTV and Comcast Digital television available
- Back-up electric power generator is automatically tested once a week
- Business entry grade high-speed wireless network onsite with four networks and Ethernet can accommodate up to 12 devices at one time
- Award-winning Las Lomas School District

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- Walls are plaster with integral color
- Antique columns and wooden doors from Morocco and India
- Handcrafted wooden dome carved and painted in Zilig tile designs
- Three sump pumps and moisture detectors
- VIA!DJ server made by Elan and Integra mixing station in control room
- Marantz touch-screen remote controls and Integra DVD player
- Vantage programmable lighting
- Upper level television, projector and 120-inch Stewart projection screen (film screen quality) are wired alternatively for computer input

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