

# EXCEPTIONAL CALIFORNIA FARMHOUSE IN THE HEART OF OLD PALO ALTO



Located in the heart of prestigious Old Palo Alto, this stunning California farmhouse, built just five years ago, offers luxurious living across three levels. The home's impressive curb appeal blends beautifully into this neighborhood of architecturally significant homes. Olive trees grace the entrance, along with English gardens in hues of purple, green, and white. Gabled rooflines extend outward across a detailed cross-braced railing design that serves as the upper-level balcony. Inside, white oak floors unify the entire floor plan, complemented by ultra-smooth walls and recessed lighting throughout. Formal living and dining rooms await for stylish entertaining, with service from a customized wine cellar. A tremendous great room unfolds at the rear of the home for everyday living and dining, extending from a superb modern kitchen designed in a combination of sleek natural wood grain and rich charcoal-gray cabinetry, high-end appliances, and countertops. Retractable stacking glass doors open the great room fully to a covered rear dining lounge with a wet bar and an adjoining Connecticut bluestone terrace with a fire pit and barbecue kitchen complete with pizza oven. The home also boasts a lower-level recreation room with a full bar and a large patio with stairs leading up to the rear grounds.

There are 5 spacious bedrooms, a flexible-use room for an office or fitness center, and 5.5 bathrooms. A main-level suite is perfect for guests or remote work needs with its direct opening to the front porch. Upstairs, the primary suite is a wonderful retreat with a private balcony, plus there is an extra-large bedroom and bath on this level. Two additional bedrooms, one en suite, are found on the lower level. Every bathroom is designed with unique geometric tile patterns in hues of gray, contributing to the home's contemporary aesthetic. Behind the scenes, features like auto-entry bathroom lighting, keyless entry and surveillance, and automated window blinds add comfort and convenience. Located just over one mile from University Avenue's shops and restaurants and within the excellent Palo Alto school district, this home offers an exceptional lifestyle in one of Silicon Valley's most coveted neighborhoods.

## 520 TENNYSON AVENUE, PALO ALTO

- Stunning California farmhouse built just 5 years ago
- Premier Old Palo Alto location
- 5 bedrooms and 5.5 baths on three levels
- Approximately 4,675 total square feet
  - Main residence: 4,445 sq. ft.
  - Detached 1-car garage: 230 sq. ft.
- Main rooms: foyer; living room with fireplace; formal dining room; great room with kitchen, family room, and casual dining; lower-level recreation room and bar; wine cellar
- Personal accommodations: powder room; main-level bedroom suite; upstairs primary suite; upstairs bedroom and bath; lower-level bedroom suite; lower-level bedroom and bath; lower-level fitness center or office; lower-level laundry room
- White oak floors and ultra-smooth white walls throughout
- All bathrooms in white and multi hues of gray, each with unique geometric tile patterns
- Detached 1-car garage and electronic-gated driveway
- Covered dining lounge with wet bar, plus open fire pit and barbecue kitchen with pizza oven
- All Connecticut bluestone hardscape and level lawn
- Lower-level spacious patio with stairs up to the driveway and very private rear yard
- Lot size of approximately 7,405 square feet
- In the heart of Old Palo Alto just over one mile from University Avenue shops and restaurants
- Excellent Palo Alto schools

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## PUBLIC ROOMS

### Entrance

Picture-perfect curb appeal with wide stone path intersected with crushed stone and bordered by two signature olive trees and English gardens in purple, white, and green foliage; a gabled roof extends outward past a horizontal cross-braced railing design that creates a decorative balcony

### Foyer

The front door, painted in a vibrant shade of teal, is inset with a glass pane and flanked by matching side lights; the foyer introduces white oak floors that continue throughout; the staircase is in the center of the home beneath a skylight and framed with a steel handrail and glass panels

### Living Room

Formal living room, opening from the foyer and dining room, has recessed lighting, a focal point linear gas fireplace above an elevated hearth, and an extra-wide front window with deep ledge

### Dining Room

Formal venue with wide side window and futuristic elongated oval pendant light that defines the dining area; recessed lights provide additional lighting effects

### Great Room

Spanning the rear of the home is a tremendous open space for everyday living, casual dining, and a sleek modern kitchen; a suspended contemporary pendant light defines the dining area

### Kitchen

Sleek wood grain and deep charcoal-gray cabinetry combine in contemporary style, some suspended on the wall beneath transom windows and some with open design; an island integrates seating on two sides, a dedicated wine storage area, and mixed countertop in honed charcoal-gray and wood coordinating with the cabinetry; perimeter countertops are in honed charcoal-gray, including full-height behind the cooking center

### Appliances

Wolf gas cooktop with 6 burners and griddle; 2 Wolf ovens in sleek black glass; Thermador microwave; Bosch dishwasher with wood grain cabinet panel; Sub-Zero refrigerator and freezer with charcoal-gray cabinet panels

### Family Room

Fully open to the kitchen and casual dining area; a wall of open compartmentalized shelves is designed around media space above a cantilevered cabinet; 5.1 surround sound speakers assist in media enjoyment; retractable stacking glass doors open fully to a covered rear patio with paneled ceiling and wet bar

## PUBLIC ROOMS (CONTINUED)

### Recreation Room & Bar

Lower-level recreation, game, and media room has compartmentalized open shelves on each side of the media area above a cantilevered cabinet; a glass door opens to a large patio with wood-like tile decking and stairs up to the rear grounds; a dropped ceiling with three unique pendant lights defines the bar area with sink and counter seating in honed charcoal-gray quartz; additional cabinetry includes a Sub-Zero mini refrigerator and Bosch mini dishwasher

### Wine Cellar

Double frameless-glass doors open to a fully customized wine cellar with storage and display racking on one wall

## PERSONAL ACCOMMODATIONS

### Main-Level Bedroom Suite

Just off the foyer, ideal for guests or remote work office with double French doors to the covered front porch; recessed lighting, closet, and en suite bath with tile floor in geometric pattern, contemporary suspended vanity, and curbless white-tiled shower with frameless-glass enclosure

### Upstairs Primary Bedroom Suite

The bedroom has a cathedral ceiling with circular globe pendant light plus recessed lighting; double sliding glass doors open to a private rear balcony outlined in wood paneling; on-wall media, sconce lighting on the bed wall, plus fully customized walk-in closet; the en suite bath has a geometric-patterned floor, suspended modern vanity with dual trough-style sinks, tub with handheld spray, skylit curbless shower, and private commode room

### Upstairs Bedroom & Bath

Spacious front bedroom features a walk-in closet plus double-door closet, vaulted ceiling with recessed lighting, on-wall media, and two sliding glass doors to the front balcony; an adjacent bath has a suspended contemporary vanity with two vessel sinks plus a tub with overhead shower with partial frameless-glass enclosure and surround of large-format tiles; a decorative tile pattern finishes the floor

### Lower-Level Bedroom Suite

Bedroom with double-door closet, French door to a light well patio, and en suite bath with triangular patterned tile wall with integrated suspended vessel sink vanity and frameless-glass shower

### Lower-Level Bedroom & Bath

Bedroom, with double-door closet and sliding glass door to the patio with stairs up to the driveway and rear yard, is served by a bath with trough-style suspended vanity and frameless-glass shower with wall of chevron-patterned tile plus fixed and hand-held sprays

## PERSONAL ACCOMMODATIONS (CONTINUED)

### Fitness Center or Office

This flexible-use room has two banks of open shelving at the entrance plus sliding glass door to a light well patio

## OTHER FEATURES

- Espresso-hued formal powder room with suspended vanity and extra-deep vessel sink
- Detached 1-car garage and electronically gated driveway
- Lower-level laundry room with sink, Electrolux washer and dryer, plus large storage room
- Upstairs laundry closet
- Automated blinds on some windows
- Dual-zone heating and air conditioning with Nest thermostats
- Distributed sound speakers
- Auto-entry lighting in all bathrooms
- Tankless water heater
- Keyless entry; Ring front doorbell; security alarm; surveillance
- Covered rear patio with paneled ceiling, pendant light, wet bar, and bluestone decking
- Bluestone terrace with fire pit and built-in barbecue center with pizza oven
- In the heart of Old Palo Alto 3 blocks from Gamble Garden and just over 1 mile to University Avenue downtown shops and restaurants
- Excellent Palo Alto schools: Walter Hays Elementary, Greene Middle, Palo Alto High (buyer to confirm)

## Disclosure Package Available Upon Request

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