

Shan·gri-la

(A distant and secluded hideaway, usually of great beauty and peacefulness.)

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Any individual, corporation, foreign embassy, or non profit having a need for privacy, yet within a few hours of driving time of major metropolitan areas have got to at least look into the possibilities of this out standing piece of real estate!

For privacy, piece of mind, training, meditation, corporate get-a-ways, this is well worth considering!

The grand entranceway, adorned with an exterior ironwork chandelier, beckons you in with a series of three consecutive sets of intricately designed antique wooden doors. The final pair opens up to a grandiose, sunlit grand living room with cathedral ceilings that seem to go on forever, and a lovingly curated collection of remarkable, European antiques built right into the structure itself. Sunlight streams from the glass ceiling, filling the entire room, and offsetting the rich tones of the wooden interior. Three sets of glass panel French doors showcase epic views of the mountain range reminiscent of the Hudson Valley School of painting, and invite guests back outside to an expansive wraparound deck that showcases the stunning 172 acre private property, the 15 acre private Warren Pond, and the 180,000 acres of unadulterated state land that borders it.



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The large gallery wraps around the entire grand living room providing access to another large deck, and with it, another set of spectacular views. The 4 bedrooms on this level each offer a unique and peaceful sanctuary exemplifying quiet luxury. For maximum privacy, the master suite sits alone on one side of the upper gallery. With additional deck access, views that rival those in the rest of the house, and a large marble fireplace, the master suite becomes a haven of warmth and welcome, especially in the winter months. On chilly days the fireplace churns out heat and casts a flickering orange glow around the room, enhancing the warmth of the wooden interior and providing its occupants with a feeling of peace and solitude. The opulent master bath boasts rich marble features including a large soaking tub and antique vanity. The three additional bedroom suites are each remarkable in their own individual character, each creating its own distinctive environment sure to be appreciated by both family and guests.

Get back to nature with a stroll along one of the trails, or a hike up the mountainside where you can take in the sheer enormity and vast beauty of the mountainous wilderness that surrounds you. If you're fortunate enough to share the experience with lots of friends and loved ones, the Warren House, an additional five-bedroom, 3,630 square-foot home, provides even more room for family or friends, allowing even large groups to maintain the peace and tranquility that characterize this exceptional property.

The feeling of awe does not diminish when you turn your back on the view and re-enter the house. From here, the focal point of the living room is a three-story stone waterfall, stream, and fire feature designed by Disney personnel to bring inside and tame the rugged elements of the great outdoors. While this piece represents man's mastery of the elements it simultaneously humbles onlookers as it weaves its way seamlessly into the structure and becomes a symbol of the perseverance of nature itself. Indeed, throughout the home, elements symbolic of nature and human ingenuity continue their intricate dance. Imported English stair railings ornamented with intricate ironwork and Bulgarian deer antlers carry the unique theme up the hand-hewn stairs to the second floor gallery.

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