

Centreville Colonial spacious on 5 acres

HOUSE HUNTING

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While spacious homesites with 5 acres or more can be found in many distant suburbs of Washington, few are available in Fairfax County.

GTB Custom Homes built a Colonial-style mansion on a 5-acre estate in the Woods at Bull Run development in Centreville in 2005. A family bought the house, but accepted a job transfer to Texas before having a chance to move in.

Now on the market for \$1,650,000, the home at 6736 Cedar Spring Road is near the end of a private cul-de-sac minutes from U.S. Route 29.

With almost 8,000 square feet, this mansion easily accommodates a large family and includes space for entertaining lavishly.

Guests can park along the cul-de-sac and in a parking pad across from the home and along the drive leading to the three-car garage.

Professional landscaping and a flagstone front walk enhance the house. A deck has been built off the family room and breakfast room.

The home has four sides of brick with stone accents, including dramatic stone surrounding the double front door and a second front door that leads to the service hall.

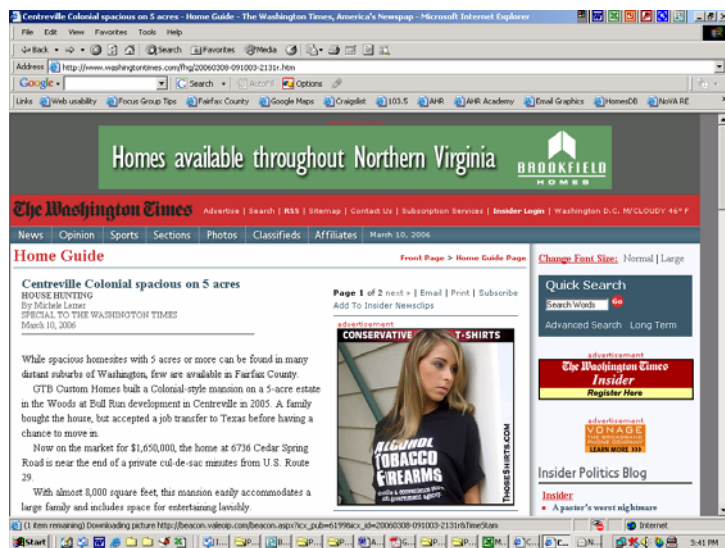
The main level features high ceilings, hardwood flooring and many large windows that fill the home with sunlight.

A two-story foyer with a dramatic pewter chandelier has a hardwood staircase to the upper level hall, two coat closets, and a transom and Palladian window over the front door.

An arched entrance flanked by columns leads into the adjacent formal dining room, which features a bay window, a pewter chandelier to match the foyer chandelier, wainscoting and chair-rail moldings.

Across the foyer, a matching archway leads into the formal living room, which features a marble fireplace with a mantel, crown moldings and a bay window.

The corner study could function as easily as a conservatory, since it includes a bay window on one side, a ceiling fan and additional windows.



The adjacent family room has a high ceiling, a gas fireplace with a granite mantel, a French door to the deck and a floor-to-ceiling window on the other side of the fireplace. A wet bar is tucked into one corner of the family room. One powder room is located between the family room and the foyer.

Next to the family room are the open breakfast area and kitchen. The breakfast area has French doors to the deck, and the kitchen includes custom cherry cabinets, a built-in desk, KitchenAid appliances, granite counters and a granite center island.

The service or family entrance to the home leads into a hall with a coat closet, a powder room, a pantry and a rear staircase to the upper level. The garage entrance into the home is nearby.

An oak staircase with oak railings leads to the upper-level hall, which has hardwood flooring and crown moldings.

The master suite features deep carpeting, four tall windows and two walk-in closets with extra built-in shelving. The master bath includes a corner whirlpool tub with windows on two sides, a glass-enclosed shower, marble flooring, cherry cabinets, marble vanity tops and custom wall scones.

The second bedroom has a double-door entrance with a transom and a private full bath. The third bedroom has two tall windows, a walk-in closet and a private full bath. The fourth bedroom also has a private bath.

The fifth bedroom includes a step-down into a foyer, a Palladian window in the private bath, two walk-in closets and another window looking into the treetops. The rear staircase leads from just outside this room to the kitchen and front door, making this bedroom perfect for an au-pair suite.

The upper level also includes a bedroom-size laundry room with a cathedral ceiling, a window, a sink and built-in cabinets.

The finished lower level, which is above ground and includes a walk-out to the back yard, includes a large recreation room with a brick fireplace, a wet bar and recessed lighting. Adjacent to the recreation room is a bedroom with a large window and a walk-in closet. A full bath is accessible from the bedroom and from the recreation room.

An unfinished portion of the lower level could easily be converted to a media room, office or exercise room, leaving additional areas unfinished for storage.

This custom home awaits the finishing touches of a family and can easily accommodate any style of furnishings and decorations. The hardwood flooring, neutral walls and untouched neutral carpet offer a blank canvas for the new owners.

Address: 6736 Cedar Springs Road, Centreville, VA 20121

Community: The Woods at Bull Run

Age: Built in 2005

Price: \$1,650,000

Size: 7948 finished square feet on 5-acre lot

Taxes: \$3,824 in 2005

Homeowner's association fee: None

Exterior features: Colonial-style brick and stone exterior; professionally landscaped; flagstone front walk; two front entrances; varied roofline with dormer and bay windows; three-car side-entry garage.

Interior features: Six bedrooms; six full baths; two powder rooms; hardwood flooring on main level and upper-level hall; moldings; two-story foyer; formal dining room with bay window; formal living room with bay window and fireplace; study with bay window; family room with fireplace and door to deck; breakfast area open to center-island kitchen; second entrance into service hall with powder room, pantry and rear stairs; master bedroom with two walk-in closets and bath; four additional upper-level bedrooms, each with private bath; finished lower level with recreation room, fireplace, wet bar, full bath, sixth bedroom and storage room.

Amenities: Three fireplaces; rear deck; luxury master bath with whirlpool tub and separate glass shower; upper-level laundry room with window; gas heat.

Close by: Near U.S. Route 29, Interstate 66 and Virginia Route 28; near Bull Run Park; 12 miles from Washington Dulles International Airport

Schools: Bull Run Elementary, Stone Middle, Westfield High

Open house: By appointment

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