\$8,500,000 - 3031 Gates Rd Nw, WASHINGTON

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8 Bedroom, 6.50 Bathroom, 10,100 sqft Residential on 1.56 Acres

FOREST HILLS, WASHINGTON, DC

Nestled amidst towering trees and rolling lawns, The Owl's Nest is a historically significant estate in Forest Hills that embodies the perfect union of classic elegance and modern design. Originally crafted by celebrated Washington architect Appleton P. Clark in the late 19th century, this landmark home has been meticulously restored, expanded, and modernized under the visionary architect George Myers, and the renowned Gibson Builders. Every detail has been thoughtfully reimagined, preserving its historical integrity while meeting the demands of contemporary luxury living.

The estate's striking exterior, clad in oversized local stone and accentuated by thick mortar, showcases the timeless allure of the shingle style. With its elegant curves, distinctive gables, and turret, The Owl's Nest boasts a commanding curb appeal that is both unique and unforgettable. A deeply recessed entrance framed by a graceful stone archway leads to the grand foyer, where the original wood-paneled staircase has been lovingly restored. A stunning stained-glass window depicting an owl adds a touch of enchantment, glowing softly when backlit at night.

Spanning 10,100 square feet, the home's expanded footprint doubles its original size to seamlessly blend formal and informal spaces. The original wing celebrates its heritage with







meticulously restored millwork, stately fireplaces, and a breathtaking library featuring a barrel-vaulted ceiling, wood paneling, and abundant natural light. The newer wing introduces a relaxed, contemporary ambiance, centered around a state-of-the-art chef's kitchen equipped with custom inset cabinetry, thick-edge marble countertops, and top-of-the-line SubZero and Wolf appliances. Adjacent gathering spaces, including a semi-circular breakfast nook and a cozy family room with a coffered ceiling, exude warmth and sophistication.

The second level is highlighted by a private primary suite that offers a serene retreat. Features include a covered terrace with sweeping views, a luxurious five-piece marble spa bath, and a spacious dressing room with custom built-ins. Secondary bedrooms are thoughtfully designed with unique architectural details and en-suite marble baths. On the top level, a turret room with mullioned windows provides a versatile space, perfect for a fitness studio or creative retreat.

The lower level invites relaxation with a lounge anchored by a dramatic stone fireplace, leading to two covered outdoor porches.

Additional spaces include a recreation room, a private den, ample storage, and a full bath.

Situated on 1.56 elevated acres, the estate's grounds are as breathtaking as the home itself. Rolling hills shaded by mature trees provide a tranquil backdrop, while the expansive rear patioâ€"complete with a rectangular lap pool and privacy wallsâ€"is perfect for al fresco dining and entertaining.

The Owl's Nest is not only a luxurious residence but also a premier venue for distinguished gatherings. With its historic charm and grand spaces, the estate has

previously hosted high-profile guests and their accompanying security, offering an elegant setting for both formal events and intimate soirées. Its secluded location ensures unmatched privacy, while the elevated position and thoughtful design enhance its exceptional security. The grounds are easily surveyed, providing peace of mind to discerning buyers who prioritize exclusivity and safety.

The Owl's Nest is more than a home; it is a rare and irreplaceable piece of Washington's history, masterfully redefined for today's most discerning buyers. Combining historical significance with modern luxury, this estate offers an unparalleled lifestyle in one of the city's most prestigious neighborhoods.

Built in 1897

Essential Information

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Price \$8,500,000

Bedrooms 8

Bathrooms 6.50

Full Baths 5

Half Baths 3

Square Footage 10,100

Acres 1.56

Year Built 1897

Type Residential

Sub-Type Detached

Style Other

Status Active

Community Information

Address 3031 Gates Rd Nw

Subdivision FOREST HILLS

City WASHINGTON

County WASHINGTON-DC

State DC

Zip Code 20008

Amenities

of Garages 2

Garages Garage - Side Entry

Has Pool Yes

Interior

Heating Forced Air Cooling Central A/C

Has Basement Yes

Basement Fully Finished

Fireplace Yes
of Fireplaces 3
of Stories 4
Stories 4

Exterior

Exterior Stone

Foundation Concrete Perimeter

School Information

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA PUBLIC SCHOOLS

Additional Information

Date Listed May 13th, 2025

Days on Market 159

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Listing Details

Listing Office TTR Sotheby's International Realty

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