

\$5,750,000 - 3252 Winchester Rd, DELAPLANE

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4 Bedroom, 6.00 Bathroom, 7,789 sqft

Residential on 98.01 Acres

NONE AVAILABLE, DELAPLANE, VA

The stunning and historic estate of Ashleigh, ca. 1840 is rich in history, and beautifully sited to enjoy the magnificent gardens as well as grand views of the Delaplane countryside. These 98 acres were once part of Oak Hill, Chief Justice John Marshall's estate, and the stone and stucco Greek Revival Manor house was designed and built for his granddaughter, Margaret Marshall Smith and her husband. Ashleigh is listed on both the National Register of Historic Places and Virginia Historic Landmarks. To further protect the estate, the current owners put Ashleigh into a conservation easement with The Land Trust of Virginia.

Wide stairs ascend to the columned front portico, from there one enters the grand front hall. Some exquisite details of the hall include beautiful heart pine flooring and wide moldings, large, deep-set windows, and a ceiling height of over 12'. Through deep set, heart pine doorways, one then enters the elegant double drawing room adorned with a fireplace at each end of the room, a wet bar, and floor to ceiling triple sash windows which open onto decorative iron balconies. From the windows one overlooks the lower-level stone terrace with fountain, gardens, and lawn. The upper level of the east wing, in addition to bedrooms and baths, features an impressive octagonal library, built in 2001 to house an extensive collection of books and art. The wide hallway leading to the library features a wood-paneled elevator and a full bath.



The upper level of the west wing features the very private and elegant owner's suite. The foyer of the suite offers a wall of closets and a powder room. The lovely bedroom features a 10' ceiling height, heart pine flooring, a fireplace and stately deep-set windows. From the bedroom one then enters the spacious walk-in closet, and adjacent marble bath.

The ground level, light filled gallery is the entrance most used and features a tile mural by local artist Joan Gardiner. The gallery opens into a gracious sitting room from which one has access to the formal dining room and study. The study's handsome pine paneling was removed from the White House during the Hoover Administration and installed at Ashleigh by then owner Dr. Edmund Horgan. The very inviting formal dining room features French doors which open out to a large stone terrace, perfect for al fresco dining and entertaining. From the dining room one passes through the butler's pantry to the recently remodeled kitchen equipped with beautiful white cabinetry and marble countertops.

GARDENS, FOUNTAINS AND POOL:

Featured in several Garden Tours, and most recently in 2021, the three garden rooms, invite and encourage one to relax and breathe. When the current owners purchased Ashleigh, the gardens had been established and maintained; however, they took them to a new level. In 2019 they installed an impressive 100' long fountain, within an existing garden room, and added a new pergola to support the established wisteria. The gardens are beautiful year-round, but it is the springtime when they come alive with thousands of perennials including a gorgeous allee of peonies. Adjacent to the gardens is the heated pool and stunning pool/guest house with gathering room, full kitchen and 2 bedrooms. The gardens of Ashleigh are further

enhanced by massive boxwoods trimmed bi-annually by the Boxwood Society and by sculpture which remain from when Sandra Whitney Payson owned Ashleigh.

HORSE FACILITIES AND DEPENDENCIES:

Three stables: 10-stall, 4-stall, and 3-stall, run-in sheds and a large machine shed.

Attached to the 10-stall stable are two separate living quarters designed for farm managers.

Close to the main home is a 2 bedroom, 2 bath guest cottage.

Ashleigh is a beautiful and historically significant property, which provides the most perfect setting for an elegant lifestyle and for grand entertaining. Located at the SW intersection of Winchester Road, (Rt. 17) and Rt. 55, it is very convenient to I-66.

Built in 1845

Essential Information

MLS® #	VAFQ2016254
Price	\$5,750,000
Bedrooms	4
Bathrooms	6.00
Full Baths	5
Half Baths	2
Square Footage	7,789
Acres	98.01
Year Built	1845
Type	Residential
Sub-Type	Detached
Style	Other
Status	Active

Community Information

Address	3252 Winchester Rd
Subdivision	NONE AVAILABLE
City	DELAPLANE
County	FAUQUIER-VA

State	VA
Zip Code	20144

Amenities

Amenities	Master Bath(s), Built-Ins, Elevator, Crown Molding, Wood Floors, Soaking Tub, Walk-in Closet(s), Wet Bar/Bar, Wine Storage
Parking	Gravel Driveway
# of Garages	1
Garages	Garage - Side Entry
View	Scenic Vista, Garden/Lawn
Has Pool	Yes

Interior

Interior Features	Floor Plan-Traditional
Appliances	Oven/Range-Electric, Refrigerator, Dishwasher, Microwave, Washer, Dryer
Heating	Steam, Heat Pump(s), Zoned
Cooling	Heat Pump(s), Zoned
Fireplace	Yes
# of Fireplaces	7
Fireplaces	Wood
# of Stories	2
Stories	2 Story

Exterior

Exterior	Stucco, Stone, Brick and Siding
Exterior Features	Water Fountains, Outbuilding Apartment, Balconies-Multiple, Terrace, Board Fence
Lot Description	Backs to Trees, Partly Wooded, Pond, Private
Roof	Metal
Foundation	Stone

School Information

District	FAUQUIER COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOLS
Elementary	CLAUDE THOMPSON
Middle	MARSHALL
High	FAUQUIER

Additional Information

Date Listed	April 18th, 2025
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Days on Market	187
Zoning	RA

Listing Details

Listing Office	Thomas and Talbot Estate Properties, Inc.
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