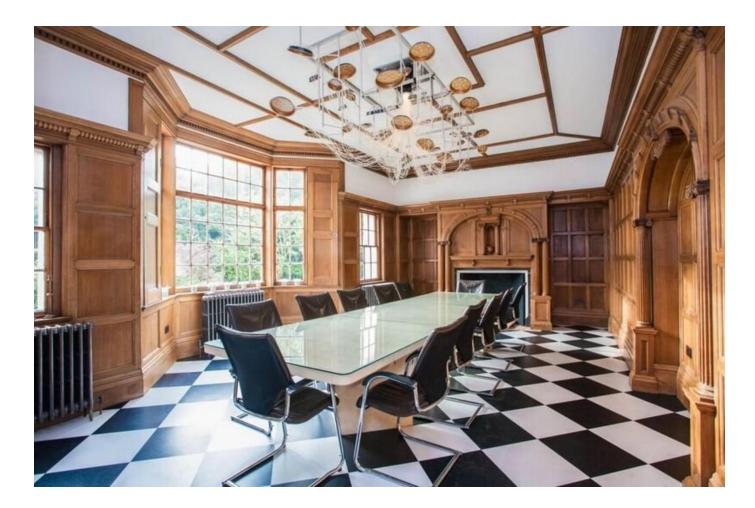




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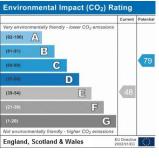


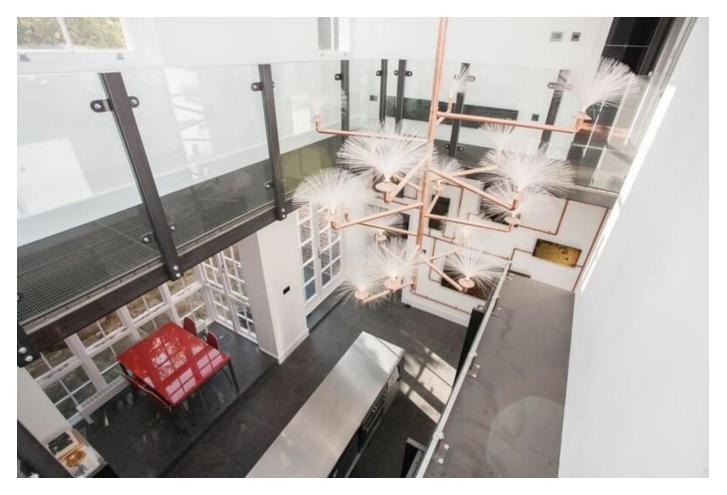
This magnificent detached house reputedly built in 1740 on part of the Mount Mascal Estate, stretching along the River Cray from Wollett Hall almost to Bexley Village. The property is locally listed and has undergone an extensive renovation program by the current owner, so that the house now enjoys the space and splendour of a period home combined with a contemporary finish, a perfect blend of old and new! The grounds extend to approximately 5 acres and the gardens were originally laid out professionally probably between 1760 and 1775 either by Capability Brown or one of his team.

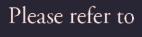
Back in its heyday the original village of North Cray became almost a private estate for the wealthy. By the beginning of the 18th century large houses with magnificent ornate gardens lined the banks of the River Cray. Houses such as North Cray Place, Loring Hall and Vale Mascal were owned by people like Lord Castlereagh (Chief Secretary for Ireland 1798 to 1801 and Foreign Secretary 1812 to 1822) and Lord Vansittart (Permanent Under-Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs 1930 to 1938).

Only Vale Mascal remains as a private home, with its accommodation over three floors. The impressive entrance hall and three huge reception rooms on the ground floor set the tone for this magnificent property. The stunning double height









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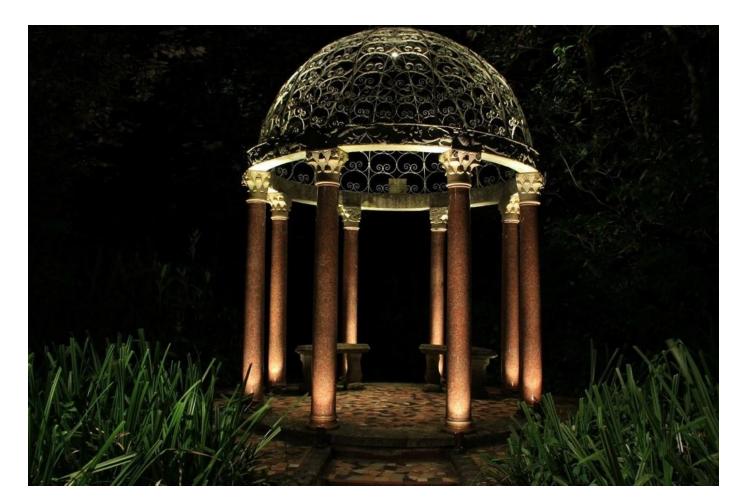
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industrial style kitchen with galleried landing and modern fittings is another amazing feature. The lower ground floor has numerous rooms that can be used to best suit your needs and there is modern take on the orangery with its barrel roof. The first floor accommodation comprises the master suite with adjoining galleried landing above the kitchen giving access to the en-suite bathroom. Two further bedrooms with their own bathrooms complete the first floor. To the ground floor is an attached flat which has its own access and there is a detached 2 bedroom chalet bungalow within the grounds. This gives great scope if you have an extended family or have the need for separate accommodation.

From the rear windows your eyes are treated to the most wonderful views across the lawns down to the River Cray, with a bridge crossing to an island. Its easy to forget that you are just approximately 14 miles to the centre of London.

There is a semi circular driveway with gates to the inner cobbled driveway with parking for several cars.

The house was once used as a wedding venue as the setting for photos is amazing. Though a much over used phrase by estate agents, this really is a home that needs to be viewed to be appreciated.

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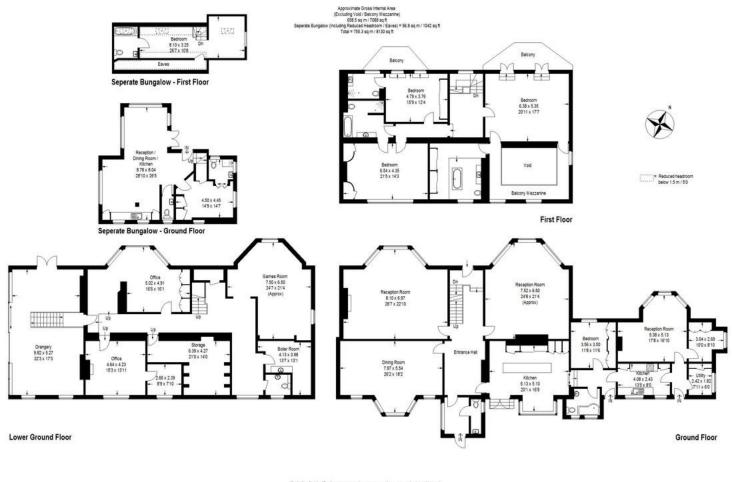


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