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Bovey Tracey, Newton Abbot, Devon TQ13 9EJ

Newton Abbot (5.4 miles) Exeter (16 miles) A38 (2.5 miles)

An elegant family house situated in the heart of the historic town of Bovey Tracey with 6-7 bedrooms and grounds amounting to nearly one acre.

- Elegant family house
- Period reception rooms
- 6-7 bedrooms
- Orchard and vineyard
- Council tax band G

- No onward chain
- Open plan kitchen/breakfast room
- Gardens amounting to 0.93 acres
- Freehold
- EPC E

Guide Price £1,150,000

SITUATION

The centre of Bovey Tracey is only a short walk away from the property, giving easy access to its full range of amenities. The town has medical, dental and veterinary services, a primary school, post office, library, churches, cafes and inns, a riverside park plus a wide range of shops. Bovey Tracey is a thriving arts and crafts centre, with artisan shops, art galleries and studios and Make South West showcasing the work of craftspeople from across the south west, plus the annual Craft Festival drawing 10,000 visitors. For recreation, the wildly beautiful open spaces of Dartmoor lie just to the west of the town and the lovely south Devon beaches are within an hour's driving distance. There are several golf courses in the area, and Bovey Tracey has an open air swimming pool, tennis courts and sports clubs. The A38 Devon Expressway, linking Plymouth and Exeter, is about 2.5 miles away and there are mainline railway stations at Exeter and Newton Abbot, plus frequent bus services. Newton Abbot is a market town with a comprehensive range of shopping, recreational facilities and schools. The university and cathedral city of Exeter provides a wider range of facilities including excellent clining, shopping, theatre and recreational pursuits. Exeter also has mainline railway services to London Paddington and Waterloo whilst its international airport lies just to the east of the city.







DESCRIPTION

Ashwell is an elegant unlisted family house situated in the heart of the popular and historic town of Bovey Tracey. Built in the mid 1840s to an exquisite standard of finish, Ashwell was undoubtedly an important dwelling in the growing town. The property benefits from the foursquare room layout and design of the era so desirable today with character features, generous rooms and timely renovations melded together to make this a handsome and comfortable family home. There are beautiful views from all the main rooms. All windows are double-glazed and the four front rooms are dual aspect and flooded with light. This exceptional property provides substantial and versatile accommodation of over 4,200 sqft comprising 6-7 bedrooms, formal sitting, drawing and dining rooms, an open plan kitchen/breakfast room, garden room, utility, family bathroom, 2 ensuites, 2 cloakrooms and extensive cellars. A delightful veranda spans the front of the property with views across the front garden to the south Devon hills. To the rear of the property are omate south-facing terraced gardens featuring an array of plants, mature shrubs, an orchard and a hobby vineyard. In all, the land amounts to nearly one acre.

ACCOMMODATION

A covered verandah with flagged walkway leads to a substantial front door with large window light above, opening into the entrance porch with a traditional Victorian inner door leading to a large hallway with stripped and stained original pine flooring. Doors open to the sitting room, the drawing room and the rear hallway, and an elegant carpeted staircase with period balustrades leads to the first and second floors. The dual aspect drawing room has original, working wooden window shutters, built-in bookcases and shelving, fireplace, and elegant cornicing and architraves. The fireplace is fitted with a woodburner on a marble hearth and surrounded with a decorative wooden mantel. The sitting room has a tiled Victorian fireplace and bookshelves. The dining room and kitchen have engineered oak flooring and the dining room has a woodburner and French doors leading to the glazed garden room, which in turn, has French doors leading to the front garden and a door to the breakfast room. The kitchen/breakfast room is fitted with modern solid wood base and wall units with oak tops and integrated appliances including a gas hob, electric double oven and microwave. A door leads to the utility room which has a door to the rear garden. The rear hallway has a door to the cellar, the rear courtyard and a WC. Wooden stairs lead down to 3 cellars, 2 with cobbled flooring. Stairs from the hallway lead to a small half landing with a family bathroom, separate WC and boiler/drying room. Further stairs lead to the four principal double bedrooms, two with ensuite shower rooms, and a study or nursery room. There are a further two double bedrooms on the second floor. Most of the bedrooms have fitted cupboards.

GARDENS

From the pedestrian gate on East Street between two imposing granite pillars, a cobbled path leads to granite steps rising to a classically laid out front garden with pathways to each side of a terraced lawn and up to the imposing house. On both sides of the paths and granite steps, are beds with ornamental shrubs and an impressive array of mature trees including an Arbutus unedo or strawberry tree, Yew, Holm oak and Torbay palms. On the east side of Ashwell, a long entrance drive leads in from Trough Lane to the parking arear near the house. Across the rear courtyard, granite steps lead up to several areas of terraced lawn and sitting areas, interspersed with flowerbeds, roses, shrubs and a large evergreen magnolia giving welcome shade. The whole rear garden is enclosed by tall Victorian stone walls, giving shelter, privacy (and no rabbits or deer!). Near the 2 sheds and 2 greenhouses is a soft fruit area. Further up is a productive organic vegetable plot, an orchard with apple, pear, plum, damson, greengage and apricot trees, and a mature hobby vineyard used to produce both red and white still wines. There are several wild areas with wild flowers and grasses attracting bees and butterflies, crickets, birds and hedgehogs. As well as a paved terrace in the vineyard, with views to Haytor, at the very top of the garden is a well-placed summerhouse from which to enjoy the breath taking views across the south Devon hills. In all, the gardens and grounds amount to 0.93 acres.

SERVICES

Mains water, drainage, electricity and gas. Gas central heating with underfloor heating in the kitchen and garden room. Fibre is connected at the property.

The property is located in a conservation area.

DIRECTIONS

From the A38, take the Drumbridges exit and follow signs for Bovey Tracey. Continue along the A382/Monks Way to the second roundabout and take the third exit, signed for the Town Centre. Proceed through the town into East Street, taking a left turn into Trough Lane, just before the church. The entrance drive to Ashwell is the lower of the two entrances found on the left.



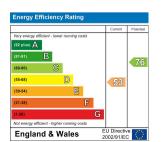




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