



## MILL LEAT FARM

Holne, Devon



## A REFURBISHED, PERIOD DARTMOOR FARMSTEAD

With just under 41 acres of unspoilt pasture and woodland set in a pretty valley carrying a stream.

#### Summary of accommodation

Ground Floor: Hall | Sitting room | Kitchen/dining room | Pantry | Boot room | Shower room | Boiler room First Floor: Landing | Principal bedroom with walk-in wardrobe | Three further double bedrooms Family bath & shower room

Outbuildings, Garden & Grounds: Parking | Stream | Mill leat | Pasture | Rough grazing | Mixed woodland

Lot 1: Farmhouse, outbuildings, pasture & woodland (19.24 acres) Lot 2: Pasture, rough grazing & woodland (21.47 acres) In all about 40.71 acres (16.47 hectares)

**Distances:** Holne 1 mile, Buckfastleigh 4.6 miles, A38 Devon Expressway 3.5 miles, Totnes 9 miles (All distances and times are approximate)

Offers in excess of Lot 1: £1,200,000 Lot 2: £150,000

## SITUATION

Mill Leat Farm is set within the Dartmoor National Park about a mile from the popular village of Holne. The charming town of Ashburton is also just over 4 miles away and offers a range of local shops, restaurants and amenities. These include a superb delicatessen, Fish Deli, Emilias, Rafikis and the Old Library restaurant as well as the thriving Ashburton musical and Arts centre, twelve antique shops and a highly regarded cookery school. Holne itself also has a strong community with a locally run village shop, tea room and Pub. Dartington Hall Trust with its thriving programme of arts and cultural events and Elizabethan timber framed cinema is only 9 miles away.

Totnes is approximately 9 miles away with a wider range of facilities and is also a vibrant market town, while Exeter is well known as the major regional centre for the whole of the south west region and has an extensive range of shops, restaurants, hospitals and theatres.

There are a wealth of high quality schools in the area including Stover School at Newton Abbot, Mount Kelly at Tavistock, as well as Exeter School and The Maynard in Exeter. There is a Steiner School in Dartington and a very good primary school in South Brent. There are also some excellent Grammar Schools in Torbay and Churston.

Dartmoor National Park is well renowned both for the diversity of its countryside and for the many varied and sporting recreational facilities.

#### THE PROPERTY

Mill Leat Farm has a truly beautiful and peaceful setting in a valley carrying a stream and is surrounded by over 40 acres of its own land. The property comprises a traditional, period farmstead positioned on the south-facing side of the valley along with pasture and mixed woodland in roughly equal proportions.













The farmstead probably dates from the first half of the 19th century and consists of a stone-built, L-shaped farmhouse backing onto a concrete yard fringed with a range of substantial outbuildings. The buildings are all built of granite under slate roofs, with the exterior of the farmhouse covered by painted render. It was a working farm up until recently. It was bought by the current owners in 2019, who then undertook an extension and full, sympathetic refurbishment.

The refurbishment includes 400mm of woodfibre insulation added to the house's envelope, along with triple glazed windows, giving the property a EPC rating of C. The farmstead is not listed and has retained many original architectural fittings including pale oak ceiling timbers, flagstone floors, a plank and muntin wall and an inglenook fireplace, now fitted with a woodburning stove. The ground floor encompasses a good sized sitting room and combined kitchen/dining room either side of the hall, together with a pantry, shower room and a large boot room.

Upstairs are four double bedrooms and the family bath and shower room. There are also opportunities to diversify the income streams, whether it through a lifestyle business or as a small holding.













- Reception/Kitchen
- Bedroom
- Circulation
- Utility/Storage/Outbuildings



**Ground Floor** 

This plan is for layout guidance only. Not drawn to scale unless stated. Windows and door openings are approximate. Whilst every care is taken in the preparation of this plan, please check all dimensions, shapes and compass bearings before making any decisions reliant upon them.

Approximate Gross Internal Area = 788.2 sq.m. (8484 sq.ft.)





## OUTSIDE

Behind the farmhouse is a collection of substantial, period outbuildings grouped around a yard, with a further stone barn facing the farmhouse on the other side of the lane.

Surrounding it are about 20 acres of pasture divided into stock-proof enclosures. 125 fruit and nut trees have been planted as well as a separate orchard in the valley behind the farm buildings. Cider and apple juice presses have been an annual event on the farm.

The other 20 acres of mixed woodland includes a segment hazel copse restoration project. There are also many semi-ancient species such as Sessile Oaks and Alders. Bird boxes have also been installed to diversify wildlife. Both attract a rich variety of wildlife.

The land has been farmed in a sustainable, environmentally friendly way using regenerative farming practices. The current owners had a dozen cows, pigs and chickens for eggs, all of which the latter were sold as commercial regenerative meat to the community.

#### PROPERTY INFORMATION

#### Tenure: Freehold

Services: Mains water & electricity. Private drainage. LNG central heating.
10KW Photovoltaic system with Tesla battery backup. Natural Spring.
Local Authorities: South Hams District Council (www.southhams.gov.uk)
& Dartmoor National Park Authority (www.dartmoor.gov.uk)
Council Tax: Band D

#### EPC Rating: C

Directions: TQ13 7RZ / What3Words ///grinders.wire.buckling

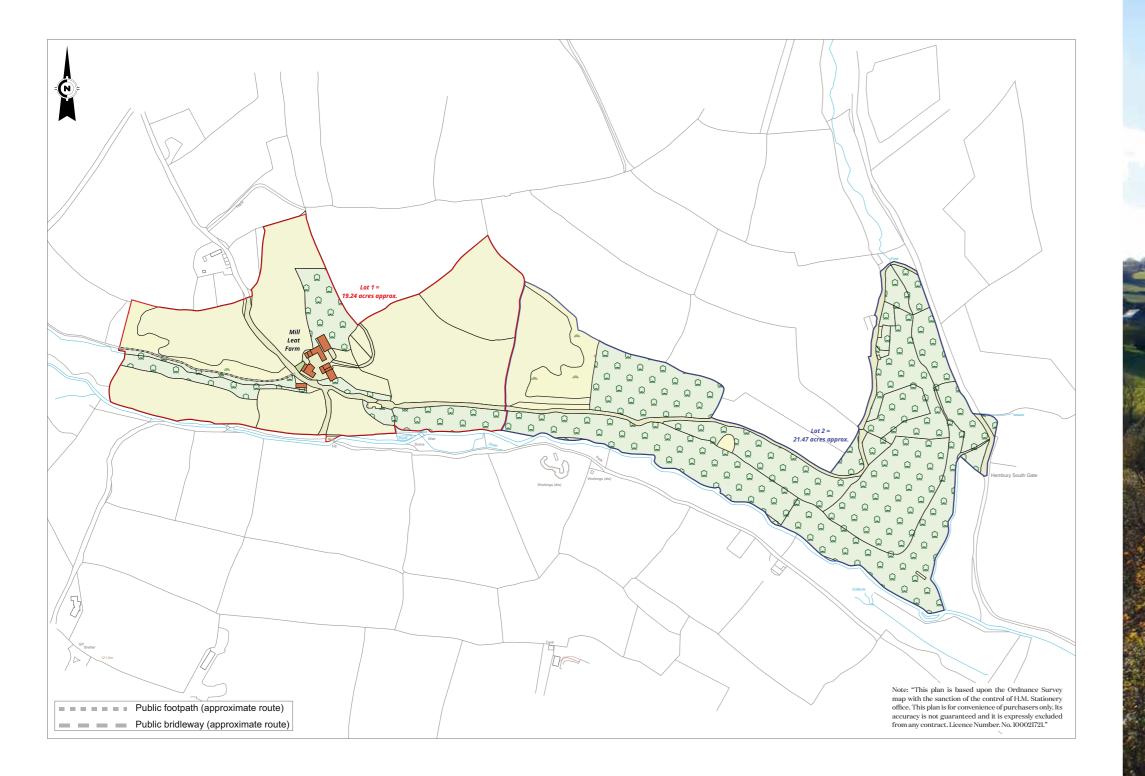
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