

Old Park Farm Old Park | Canterbury | Kent | CT1 1TH



Step inside Old Park Farm

Surrounded by woodland as far as the eye can see it is difficult to believe that this charming and spacious period farmhouse is only a five minute drive from Canterbury city centre. Nestling in 0.933 of an acre of grounds in the midst of Old Park the house has its origins in the 16th century when it was the home of the park keeper who looked after the woodland as it was a favourite hunting ground of Henry VIII. However it was renovated and extended in the Georgian and Victorian eras and includes wonderful features that give it so much character including high and coved ceilings, fireplaces, exposed beams, multi-pane sash windows and original shutters. At the same time the current owners have sensitively updated the house to provide everything needed for modern day living and designed by White and Faded.

It is approached along a private road that is nearly a quarter of a mile long and leads to a very large gravel driveway featuring an impressive oak tree as a focal point and where you can park numerous vehicles. There is a detached modern double carport and a large 'cabin' that is insulated and has lighting, electrics and laminate flooring currently used for storage but could make an excellent studio or games room as well as a separate brick building outside the kitchen providing a workshop and 3 storage areas.

The main wisteria covered front door opens into a welcoming hall that is partially open to a galleried landing and a large skylight providing plenty of natural light. Indeed, most of the rooms have white painted floorboards and white walls, enhancing the light and bright feel of the house. There is a good sized, dual aspect sitting room with a working fireplace to cosy up to on a cold winter evening and a very useful study with a fireplace and a window overlooking the woodland providing a lovely view to give you inspiration while you are working. Bespoke glazed doors open into the well-proportioned kitchen/breakfast room that includes underfloor heating, a Smeg range cooker and fridge as well as attractive units with quartz worktops housing a dishwasher and a fascinating central island with period doors and a sink with a boiling water tap and filtered water. This has a stable door to the drive and glazed double doors to the delightful and spacious dining room with its exposed beams, fireplace, French doors to the garden and a pair of glazed doors to the drawing room. When all the internal doors are open it provides a wonderful free flowing feel creating a real 'hub of the household' and where the family spend much of their time. This floor also includes a bathroom that is ideal when you come home from a muddy walk as well as a fitted utility room and a new porch with herringbone tiling providing the regular 'day-to-day' access to the property. The sizeable basement includes a newly created entertainment room/gym, a wine cellar and cellar store.

Off the galleried landing on the first floor there is a superb family bathroom with a wet room style shower and a central stand-alone bath with a skylight above so you can stargaze while languishing in the bath. As well as five double bedrooms there is also a very large fitted dressing room that could always be used as an additional bedroom if required and access to a large insulated and boarded attic that offers plenty of storage facilities. Two of the bedrooms share a Jack and Jill shower room and there are steps up to the large first bedroom with wonderful views across the woodland and access to a second boarded attic.

The garden is primarily laid to lawn surrounded by mature trees and shrubs but includes a gravel path to an outdoor dining area covered with a bespoke pergola and a secluded barbecue area where you can enjoy the sun for most of the day.

















Seller Insight

We thought it would be our 'forever' home and we spent a year renovating it with that aspect in mind. As well as all the cosmetic alterations and redesign we have installed a new insulated slate roof and the skylights in the hall and bathroom to provide extra daylight as well as a water filter system and a water pump to improve water pressure throughout the property. However we have now decided to move abroad and hope that new owners will enjoy everything about this lovely family home and all the improvements we have made during our time here.

Historic Canterbury is a wonderful city with a wide variety of UNESCO heritage site buildings, high street stores and individual shops, numerous restaurants, bars and the cinema as well as the Marlowe and Gulbenkian theatres and two stations including Canterbury West servicing the high speed train that will whisk you to St Pancras in under an hour. There are also excellent grammar and private schools, three universities and a further education college as well as plenty of opportunities for sporting enthusiasts with the Kent cricket ground nearby plus a golf club, sports club and swimming pool."*

* These comments are the personal views of the current owner and are included as an insight into life at the property. They have not been independently verified, should not be relied on without verification and do not necessarily reflect the views of the agent.







2.1 miles

3.0 miles

16.3 miles

18.4 miles

18.2 miles

68.4 miles

63.7 miles

54 mins

16 mins

1hr 32mins

1hr 20mins

1h 55mins

1h 33mins

20 mins



Travel Information

By Road Canterbury East Station Canterbury West Station Ashford International Dover Docks Channel Tunnel Gatwick Airport Charing Cross

By Train from Canterbury West High-Speed St. Pancras Charing Cross Victoria Ashford International

By Train from Canterbury East Charing Cross Victoria Dover Priory

Leisure Clubs & Facilities

Kent County Cricket Club Polo Farm Sports Club Canterbury Golf Club Kingsmead Leisure Centre

Healthcare

Canterbury Health Centre Northgate Medical Practice Canterbury Medical Practice Kent and Canterbury Hospital Chaucer Hospital

Education Primary Schools: Pilgrim's Way Primary

St Thomas's Catholic Primary Kent College Junior St Edmunds Junior Kings Junior 01227 473612 01227 769159 01227 453532 01227 769818

03000 426600 01227 208556 01227 463128 01227 766877 01227 825100

01227 760084 01227 462539 01227 762436

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Secondary Schools:

Simon Langton Girls Grammar Simon Langton Boys Grammar Barton Grammar King's School, Canterbury Kent College St Edmunds

Entertainment

Marlowe Theatre, Canterbury Gulbenkian Theatre Odeon Cinema Curzon Cinema Abode Hotel Pinocchios

Local Attractions/Landmarks

Howletts Animal Park Wingham Wildlife Park The Canterbury Tales The Beaney House Canterbury Cathedral Canterbury Heritage Museum

01227 463711 01227 463567 01227 464600 01227 595501 01227 763231 01227 475000

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GROUND FLOOR

Porch Hall Utility Room Bathroom Sitting Room Study Drawing Room Kitchen/Breakfast Room **Dining Room** Store

11'7 x 5'10 (3.53m x 1.78m)

15'4 x 11'10 (4.68m x 3.61m) 13'9 x 8'8 (4.19m x 2.64m) 16'5 x 13'9 (5.01m x 4.19m) 17'7 x 13'2 (5.36m x 4.02m) 20'7 x 18'8 (6.28m x 5.69m)

FIRST FLOOR

Landing Bedroom 1 18'3 x 16'3 (5.57m x 4.96m) Bathroom 12'0 x 10'7 (3.66m x 3.23m) Bedroom 5 11'10 x 10'7 (3.61m x 3.23m) Bedroom 3 14'4 x 11'11 (4.37m x 3.63m) Jack & Jill Shower Room Bedroom 2 16'7 x 12'5 (5.06m x 3.79m) Bedroom 6/Dressing Room 14'3 x 10'6 (4.35m x 3.20m) Bedroom 4 16'1 x 13'9 (4.91m x 4.19m)

BASEMENT

Entertainment/Gym Cellar Wine Cellar

16'3 x 13'4 (4.96m x 4.07m) 13'4 x 13'4 (4.07m x 4.07m)

OUTSIDE Wraparound Garden Gated Driveway Double Car Port

OUTBUILDING 1

Store Workshop Store Store

OUTBUILDING 2 Cabin

6'2 x 3'6 (1.88m x 1.07m) 10'0 x 6'2 (3.05m x 1.88m) 6'2 x 4'6 (1.88m x 1.37m) 6'2 x 3'8 (1.88m x 1.12m)

22'8 x 9'9 (6.91m x 2.97m)







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