



THORN HOUSE



A Hidden Gem

Discover a new calibre of grandeur, at Thorn House, a handsome period home that has evolved over the last century to offer versatile living on four levels. Nestled on an impressive plot, yet conveniently close to all village amenities, Thorn House comes up smelling of roses.

Deceptively tucked back, just off the quaint Blyth Road, a lengthy and inviting driveway exudes the charm of a country lane. As you drive up to the first electric gate, the journey along the elegantly dressed tarmac drive becomes an experience in itself.

It is during this serene approach that you catch your first beguiling glimpse of the imposing Thorn House, standing majestically, a testament to its storied past and luxurious present.



Continuing along the driveway, there is ample parking on the flagstone area to the front of Thorn House, alongside a triple garage with electric doors. Instantly sense the seclusion and serenity of Thorn House, swathed in lush, landscaped gardens with mature trees offering a buffer of privacy from the wider world.





A Grand Arrival

An imposing home with a welcoming feel, box hedging precedes the grand front door, which opens into a spacious porch with contemporary light fitting, and beyond into the broad and bright entrance hall. Here, an original sweeping staircase takes centre stage, gleaming beneath the ornate chandelier lighting, set within an elegant ceiling rose.

A dynamic home retaining its traditionality, whilst accommodating contemporary comforts; Philips Hue Lighting adds an ambient feel in many rooms, with a fully fitted alarm system and Hikvision CCTV (both linkable to phones).



Solid oak flooring flows out underfoot, whilst beyond the archway ahead a huge sash window delivers light through. A capacious space, warmed by a log-burning stove, the entrance hall is resplendent when embellished with a towering, trimmed tree at Christmas. Richly layered architraves and coving depict a scene encountered in many of the rooms at Thorn House, preserving the designs of the past for a present generation





Entertain & Unwind

Stylishly Elegant paneled walls, solid oak flooring and chandeliers combine in the grand drawing room on the left, where bountiful bay and full height windows invite the outdoors in.

A fashionably formal room, ideal for entertaining and aperitifs, sink back into your chair and admire the pleasing views over the manicured box hedging as the fire roars from within its evocative original surround. Chic Farrow & Ball shades with hints of blue-grey create a familiar and friendly atmosphere.





Room For The Family

Turning left from the rear of the entrance hall, discover a relaxed family room, with a log-burning stove nestled within the more modern style fireplace, and with solid oak flooring underfoot once more. Soft putty tones dress the walls, creating an airiness in accord with the high ceilings; fitted storage and sash windows frame views out over the garden.





Practical Places

Across the entrance hall to the rear, sense the transition into the original cottage side of Thorn House as the ceiling height becomes more intimate, entering an inner hallway, laced in herringbone flooring.

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Across the hallway, etched glass announces your arrival at the laundry room, where herringbone Kardean flooring has a fresh light tone underfoot. Glazed double doors flood the room with light, opening to a rear terrace, handy for airing laundry. Indoors, there is plumbing for two washers and a dryer alongside an abundance of bespoke fitted, floor to ceiling storage and hanging space dedicated to drying clothes.



Cosy Comforts

A large redbrick fireplace houses a log-burning stove, making the snug the ideal place to relax after dinner with a drink. Conveniently integrated to the left of the fireplace is a 130-bottle capacity wine fridge, ideal for entertaining.

Fitted cabinetry provides plenty of storage, whilst a stable door opens to the side path, where you can connect with the side garden and walled garden. An archway opens up into the library, with chequered original tiling underfoot. A peaceful room, with fitted cabinets, relax and unwind with a book or step out through the doors into the garden.





Light Filled Living

From the snug, make your way into the large, open plan kitchen, where solid oak tops the central island, a sociable hub. A showstopping centrepiece to the home, there is space for an Aga, a Rangemaster and a free-standing American style fridge-freezer alongside integrated appliances including a dishwasher, microwave, beer fridge and small fridge and freezer.

Marble worktops feature in the pantry, alongside shelving for all your larder essentials.





Flagstone flooring, warmed by underfloor heating, extends through from the kitchen into the orangery, a room drenched in sunlight courtesy of a large roof lantern and bi-folding doors which open to the garden, ideal for entertaining in the summer. Storage is a key feature throughout Thorn House, with fitted cabinets and built-in seating along one wall in the orangery, for a clean surface finish.





Formal Feasting

From the library, a door opens to the dining room, a grand and formal feasting space, perfect for Christmas dinner, with feature fireplace, elegant coving and views over the landscaped hedging to the front through a large bay window. This room connects back to the main entrance hall.

Retracing your steps back through the library and snug to the inner hallway, access the second cellar ahead where there is heating and ample storage alongside a water filtration system, recently fitted.





An Eye For Detail

Also accessed off the inner hallway is an impressive new boot room. Beams overhead add real character, whilst the porcelain tiles underfoot are robust and forgiving when returning from muddy walks (a built-in bench is ideal for removing wellies). Stash all your coats, boots and outerwear in the fitted wardrobes, whilst the Belfast sink is handy for washing down muddy paws.

Sequestered away from the main flow of the home discover the study, where fitted, lockable cabinetry offers ample storage for all your paperwork and cushioned window seats invite you to break from work to take in the view. Beams overhead serve as a reminder of the heritage of the home.





Rest & Revive

Directly ahead off the main landing, emerge into a bountifully sized bedroom, dressed in stormy shades of blue and with a high, airy ceiling. A feature cast iron fireplace infuses character, with a splash of contemporary colour to the chimney breast. Sash windows capture views over the garden.

Beneath an archway on the landing, make your way along and right, into a gracefully styled and grandly sized bedroom, with nude shades to the walls and soft cream carpet underfoot. Brimming with light, windows frame idyllic views to two sides.





Serving both bedrooms is a blissful family bathroom, generously sized and with a contemporary feel in the décor. Savour the sublime garden views as you bathe in the clawfoot, rolltop bath with showerhead attachment; an elegant wash basin, WC and fitted storage are also available.

Returning once more to the landing, seek sanctuary in the spectacular master suite on the right.





The Master Suite

The master suite is anchored by a striking feature fireplace, topped with a wall-mounted television, which adds a modern twist to the traditional setting. A grand bay window acts as a natural picture frame, showcasing expansive views of the beautifully manicured garden and the rolling countryside beyond.

The interior, adorned in rich, earthy tones, creates an ambiance of a boutique retreat, perfect for unwinding after the hustle and bustle of the day. From the bedroom, one steps into a splendid dressing room. This area is thoughtfully fitted with bespoke wardrobes and adorned with classic antique shelving, blending practicality with a touch of elegance.



This leads seamlessly into a contemporary en-suite bathroom. The en-suite is a haven of modern luxury, featuring a spacious walk-in shower, underfloor heating for added comfort, and an LED heated mirror. A sleek vanity unit with a wash basin and a stylishly wall-mounted WC complete this modern sanctuary, combining functionality with upscale design.

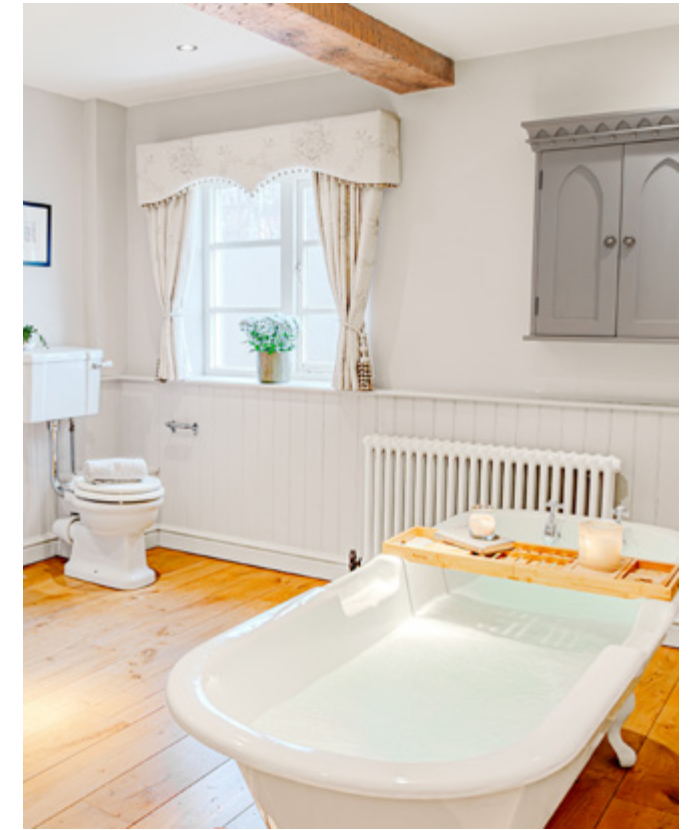




Bedroom Bliss

Retracing your steps to the top of the stairs, this time, turn right to discover the guest wing of Thorn House, graced with elegant dentil cornicing above, handsome etched architraves and with feature stained-glass above a door opening into the guest bedroom. Beams bedeck the ceiling complementing the neutral décor whilst views beckon out over the garden and lane.

Moving along the landing, wooden flooring coats the guest bathroom, beautifully decorated and featuring a free-standing bath, separate shower, WC and wash basin with traditional fittings.





Tailored Spaces

Across the landing, a second guest bedroom, dressed in beams and with fitted cabinetry, window seat and fireplace, looks out over the road. Ascend the stairs once more to reach the second floor, sneaking a peek at the walled garden from the large window on the turn. Here, discover two large rooms currently furnished as dressing rooms.

A further bedroom, taking the tally to eight, serves as a peaceful guest bedroom with newly fitted flooring and quirky stained glass low level internal window. Thorn House, a residence embodying both spaciousness and practicality, is thoughtfully segmented to accommodate diverse living arrangements.



The home features distinct wings and multiple levels, each offering the potential for self-contained living. This design is particularly suitable for households with older teenagers, dependent relatives, or guests, as it allows for individual living spaces within the cohesive structure of the home. This unique zoning ensures privacy and independence for all, while maintaining the warmth and unity of a family home.



Outdoor Entertaining

Thorn House boasts extensive outdoor space, featuring five acres of beautifully landscaped gardens and paddocks. These well-secured grounds are perfect for families, offering ample room for children and pets to play amidst colourful, fragrant planting and trees. The property includes various amenities such as a boules pitch, a bore hole for garden irrigation, and seasonal blooms like snowdrops, daffodils, and bluebells. The sunny walled garden presents an excellent opportunity for gardening enthusiasts.

Additionally, Thorn House caters well to equestrian needs with an outdoor WC, three stables, a tack room, log stores, bike sheds, and a 2.7-acre paddock ideal for ponies. The property also features a triple garage with an alarm system and a games room above, offering great potential for conversion into self-contained accommodation.



On Your Doorstep

Thorn House elegantly combines seclusion and convenience, nestled within five acres and secured by electric gates, yet situated just a five-minute walk from the village park and amenities. Its location in Retford provides easy access to several supermarkets and is near Gainsborough's M&S, only 20 minutes away.

The area offers delightful country walks and nearby attractions like Daneshill Lakes, Serlby's golf course, Clumber Park, Idle Valley Nature Reserve, and Roche Abbey. Get to know your neighbours in one of your local pubs such as The Bluebell in Ranskill, where you can join in the regular quiz and theme nights.

In the neighbouring village, just three minutes' drive away is Ye Olde Bell Hotel and Spa, serving up great food and spa treatments.

For meals out, there are a selection of curry houses within a fifteen-minute drive including Yash in Barnby Moor, Dower House in Bawtry and Aasha in Blyth.

Outdoor activities are plentiful, with Torworth Grange being a notable destination for cycling enthusiasts. Thorn House is also ideally situated for commuters, with Retford Station and the A1 motorway in close proximity.

Families are in prime position for local schools, with Worksop College and Ranby House and Hill House independent schools easily accessed from Thorn House, alongside Ranskill Primary School and Retford Oaks Secondary School.

Thorn House, grand yet inviting, spacious yet cosy, offers a secure and versatile environment, ideal for a family that cherishes country living and enjoys hosting friends.



Floor Plan

Approximate Gross Internal Area = 618 sq m / 6652 sq ft.

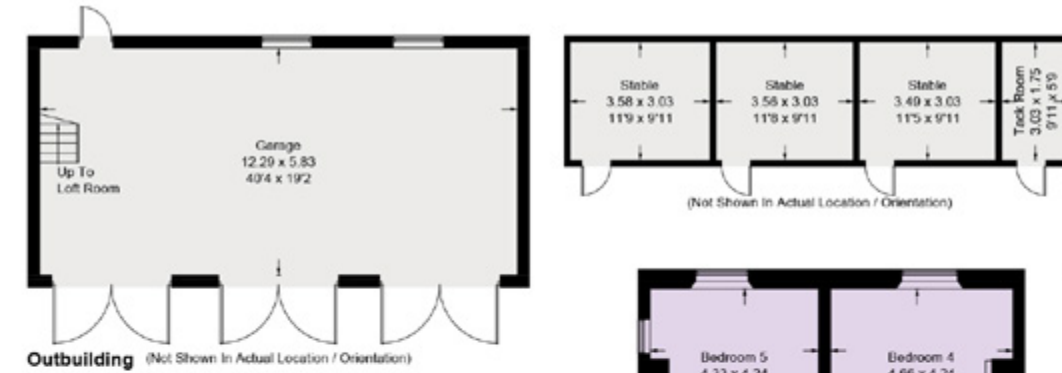
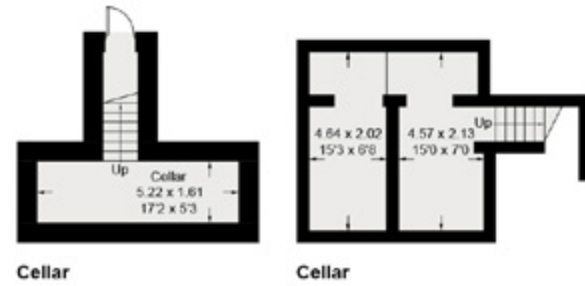
Cellars = 33 sq m / 355 sq ft.

Garage = 72 sq m / 775 sq ft.

Stables = 39 sq m / 420 sq ft.

Total = 762 sq m / 8202 sq ft.

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92+	A		
81-91	B		
69-80	C		
55-68	D	64 D	72 C
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