



The Deacon Joseph Denison House

STONINGTON, CONNECTICUT

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PROPERTIES





LOCATION

Located in Stonington, Connecticut near the Rhode Island border in an exceptional pastoral setting, the property is only minutes away from historic Stonington Borough with its narrow tree-lined streets, stately 18th and 19th century residences, cozy restaurants and interesting shops. Widely considered the most picturesque seaside village in Connecticut, the borough attracts an eclectic following including boaters, gentlemen farmers and artists.

In addition to its farms and historic villages, Stonington is home to a sheltered and scenic deepwater harbor that is both a major yachting center and a haven for Connecticut's last remaining commercial fishing fleet. The proximity of true ocean beaches, numerous golf courses, horseback riding, excellent salt and freshwater fishing, and rivers and bays suitable for kayaking are only some of the reasons for the area's

well-deserved reputation as a destination for outdoor recreation.

The area is conveniently located halfway between New York and Boston. Transportation needs are readily serviced by Interstate 95, Amtrak and the nearby T.F. Green Airport in Rhode Island.

PROPERTY

The 1730 Deacon Joseph Denison homestead, also known as Great Hearth, is universally considered one of the most prominent estates in town and is an outstanding example of an authentic period home. There are numerous attractive and complementary outbuildings, including a two bedroom guest house with kitchen and living room, a pool house with outdoor kitchen and his and her shower rooms, a heated six car garage, and an equipment garage.

Two picturesque farm ponds, specimen trees and mature landscaping that is both elegant and unpretentious, attract a variety of wildlife. Restored original New England stone walls crisscross the open vistas and define the outdoor spaces. Also included is a separate property directly across the narrow, rural and lightly trafficked road. Together there are fourteen acres of land in a lovely combination of woodland and rolling open fields.

RESIDENCE

The front entrance opens to a spacious foyer with the original staircase, mouldings and wideboard flooring. To the right is the large dining room with a lovely working fireplace, built in corner cupboard with clamshell and glass doors. The painted original wainscot paneling, ceiling mouldings and elaborate fireplace surround have been perfectly maintained. To the left

of the foyer is the living room with double clamshell cabinets flanking the working fireplace, original ceiling mouldings and wainscot paneling.

Through the living room is the original house, c. 1680. The home's namesake eight foot wide great hearth with beehive oven and iron cranes dominates the original wood paneled room. A library with built in shelves and wood paneling adjoins this wing and leads to a center hall with a charming powder room, built in armoire and rear staircase.

The keeping room with the original hearth defines the kitchen with sitting room. Opposite the stone hearth in the kitchen is an indoor wood fired oven with copper hood. A very large pantry, laundry and workroom is accessed through the rear of the kitchen. A three season sitting porch is also adjacent to the keeping room.



Inspection by appointment only.

Offered at \$2,695,000

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EQUAL HOUSING OPPORTUNITY



There are three bright and spacious bedrooms upstairs all with working fireplaces and two with en suite baths. Many of the original details and flooring have survived the centuries thanks to the loving care of the home's long time owners. The ceilings are high throughout, especially for a period house. All in all, the gracious details and scale befitted the home's original prominent Stonington family.

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