

'QUILL SPRING' SPECIAL FEATURES

THE SECOND FLOOR centers around the lofted balcony accessed by a center and 'back' staircase. Built to support the pool table, the floor is constructed with 12' joists. The loft is awash in built-ins and sunlight from the triple window. A sitting room, (study or playroom) and three large bedrooms, (with more built-ins), have cheerful dormers. One of the two bathrooms on this level has a 'Jack-and-Jill' access. This private second floor has wonderful natural light that streams through the myriad of windows.

THE BASEMENT LEVEL

Behind a full story block and adobe retaining wall, the attached garage is not visible from the front elevation. Instead, it is tucked neatly into the foundation level. The two bays provide outside egress to the vegetable garden, the lawn, and ponds. A full laundry room with sink and cupboards is the final stop for the convenient first floor-based laundry chute. The basement contains a built-in safe in the root cellar, with dry storage for produce and wine. In addition to the garage, the basement level houses an over-sized store room and utility room. The workshop is the largest room in the house; it is ventilated, and is a handyman's or engineer's delight--with walls of shelving, a large closet, and no vertical supports to impede either the visual space or the movement of large shop materials.

PLANTED PERENNIAL FLOWERS include the Blue Ridge native, variegated Solomon Seal that graces the front porch. Blooming azalea and wild azalea burst forth in springtime along with the dogwood and native mountain laurel. Other species in the lovingly tended gardens are: Blue Star (Amsonia), Gooseneck Loose-strife, Tree Peony, Peony, Red Hot Poker, Iris, Sedum Autumn Joy, Salvia, Daffodils, Verbena Columbine, Foxglove, Phlox, Bleeding Heart, Coral Bells, Daisy, Brown Eyed Susan, Day Lily, Aster, Hellebore, Catmint, Lamb's Ears, Stock, Bee Balm (Monarda), Russian Sage, Siberian Iris, Joe Pye Weed, Butterfly Weed, Datura (self-seeding), and Ageratum (self-seeding).

MORE PROPERTY DISTINCTION

- ◆Hardwood and ceramic flooring throughout common areas, hallways and stairways
- ◆Two-zone heating and cooling system
- ◆Two water heaters/one for each level
- ◆Low maintenance concrete-tiled roof
- ◆Six outdoor water hydrants for the extensive gardens
- ◆Working security system
- ◆A partial house generator
- ◆Dappled shade driveway that curves through the woods

QUILL SPRING'S CHARM

BORDERING THE MOORMAN RIVER IN A PARK-LIKE SETTING. . .

AND WITHIN THE SANCTUARY OF A PROTECTED FOREST IS A TRADITIONAL HOUSE WHERE YOU WILL DISCOVER AN IMMACULATELY KEPT HOME.

- ♦Life-lasting concrete-tile roof
- ♦Incredible blue stone terrace across rear width
- ♦A charming combination of French doors & windows, as well as casement & double-hung windows
- ♦Circular driveway and welcoming flagpole are flanked by grass avenues
- ♦Covered side porch
- ♦Colonial front door with half-moon transom opens into a marble foyer
- ♦Custom-built by Greer & Silverman Associates
- ♦Graceful 9' and vaulted ceilings, and hand-milled interior molded arches
- ♦Triple crown molding, chair railing, pocket doors, six-panel solid wood interior doors
- ♦Classic oak and white spindle staircase, and 'a back passage' off the kitchen wing
- ♦Four wood burning fireplaces with marble, granite and classic surrounds
- ♦A home office, study, library 'for two'
- ♦Ceiling fan, and latch-lighted, walk-in closets
- ♦Extra large dimensions of the elegant 'Green Living Room' with its custom window treatments
- ♦The Great Room blends into a spacious cherry kitchen, the natural gathering space, with more cozy built-ins and a Vermont Castings fireplace insert
- ♦One level country living
- ♦2 1/2 baths located on the first level, two full bathrooms on the second floor
- ♦Formal dining room with traditional wood moldings and a sunny bay window
- ♦A custom-built butler's pantry connects the square kitchen to the dining room. This fabulous staging area for entertaining has plenty of counter space. The lighted glass front doors accent the glass shelving, and highlights a lovely collection of cut glass crystal.

Another practical design of the house is the separation of the Great Room from the study/service wing. Presently, this space provides access from the outdoors and to the basement. It also houses the very large study 'for two.' With another fireplace, built-ins, a walk-in closet and a private door to the terrace, the room could serve as another living/bedroom combination. A full bathroom is located just down the hallway. This wing could also become an Au pair's quarters, or satisfy guests' during extended stays.

THE MASTER SUITE

In a small foyer outside the powder room, a brilliant quill flower arrangement creates an Old World entrance into the private, main level En-suite. The master bedroom and its lovely window treatments enable 'the views.' There are lovely yellow tones and subtle blues in the color scheme, as vivid as the English countryside. French doors lead to the rear terrace, the grounds and gardens beyond. A granite fireplace facade with dentil mantle creates a traditional architectural focal point.

MASTER BATHROOM...

- ♦Two closets, a linen closet and pocket doors
- ♦Double vanities with a window in between
- ♦Step in tiled shower with built-in bench
- ♦Water closet and wood floors



QUILL SPRING

A FEW OF THEIR 'FAVORITE THINGS'

We asked the original owners to describe Quill Spring. With much delight, they wanted to share their sentiments:

"We have created a serene, park-like setting around our spacious--almost cottage like--home where many windows provide views of the ever changing gardens, the laurel woods, and the many creatures who lived here first."

FASHIONED AFTER A COUNTRY COTTAGE, Quill Spring is an alluring and tranquil residence with a storybook setting. The clipped gables of the pitched roof and its tall bands of windows create light and energy. In the twin red brick chimneys and the rippled tiles, the roof lines incorporate tidy dormers for a casual, cottage feel. Altogether, the informality of the front combines into a delightful facade. Within the traditional American red brick and neat windowpanes, there is a timeless familiarity to the architecture of Colonial Virginia.

Raindrops on Roses...

Established sunny gardens sustain perennial flowers and vegetables. Our soil is enriched by 20 years of improvement. The several large, mulched areas create the semblance of a park. A labor of love, our two small ponds are connected by a burbling waterfall. Trails meandering through the woods are used by deer and people, alike. The spacious blue stone terrace provides good flow for parties of 100 guests or more into adjacent living spaces. We enjoy the surround sound in the family room, the terrace and on the front porch. A bow window in the kitchen provides for a small garden of plants and orchids, bringing nature right into the living spaces.

Water accents include the Quill Spring "spring and pond" as well as small pools and a waterfall in the back yard. There is little road or railway noise. Protected woodlands host migrating birds, native deer, wild turkey, fox, rabbits, and occasionally even a black bear. They live together undisturbed. At one time, the entire 50-acres was woods, and the lawns and meadows were carved with a purpose. Invisible electric (dog) fencing encompasses 4-5 acres, including all the lawns and meadows and some wooded areas.

From the Moorman River bridge, we enjoy our own geological piece of 'art' in the massive rock formations. And, as part of the regional watershed, our river begins in the Blue Ridge Mountains and is fed by the Doyles as its major tributary. The South Fork of the Moorman's meets the Mechum's River just downstream from Quill Spring, and form the Rivanna River.

Solace in Winter that Melts Into Spring...

No other homes are visible from our house or lawns in foliage season. Mature hardwood trees are scattered through the property. Where the lawn meets the woods our property is wired for outdoor lighting. The Vermont Casting cast iron stove warms the Great Room's hearth. Two independent wells provide delicious water. And our tall flagpole displays 'Old Glory' as well as our own, Quill Spring flag. In these extra special details are a few of the 'favorite, little & big things.' And, perhaps, the most practical thing about Quill Spring is the 15-minute drive to the University of Virginia, and we're located about a mile from the quaint village of Free Union.