

HOT PROPERTY

Island retreat with views that rival the Pacific



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By Bernadette Blaze

When Blake and Luke Schnirring first saw the contemporary waterfront retreat tucked away at the end of a gated private island on Shorehaven Road, they were blown away by the beauty of the property and its surroundings.

“I came from California and never thought I would see a view as beautiful as the Pacific Ocean, but the Shorehaven House proved that there were spectacular views on the East Coast as well,” said owner Blake Schnirring.

The very best in a waterfront lifestyle is at hand in this chic coastal home with a wide, secluded sandy beach an “endless” jetty, saltwater swimming lagoon with dock, separate boating ramp, and boundless water scenery from the wraparound deck, balconies and patios.

“This coveted enclave is one of Westport’s best kept secrets that will captivate you from the moment you arrive,” said listing agent Joni Usdan.

The home offers inviting open-concept living spaces inside and out, with ‘knock-your-socks-off’ panoramic views of Long Island Sound, and one of the most charming coastlines in New England.

“Our home is a living painting,” Schnirring added. “Every morning, you look outside and your view is completely different from the day before and changes throughout the day. No day is the same as the last and there is nature everywhere you look including an abundance of birds visit the property every day. The home provides a living environ-



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ment that creates a vacation vibe every day of your life. It’s a peaceful escape.”

Inside, the relaxing yet sophisticated setting boasts bright open spaces graced with generous expanses of windows that take in the awe-inspiring panorama.

The home provides plenty of spaces for entertaining both inside and out. The living room

boasts a floor to ceiling white brick fireplace, skylights and bamboo floors that span throughout. The family room is also inviting and features the home’s second fireplace. But the family’s favorite space in the home is the sunroom, with its beamed, vaulted ceiling and three walls of windows looking out onto Long Island Sound.

“Even in the worst weather,

you can still feel like you are outdoors and part of nature,” Schnirring said. “We read in this room, nap, board games with kids and entertain adults here.”

Another bright and cheery space is the kitchen, featuring striking cabinetry with a beach-home feel, peninsula with bar seating and a bayed dining area overlooking the water.

Four bedrooms and three full

Details

**Address:** 50 Shorehaven Road, Westport

**Price:** \$2,699,999

**Features:** This chic contemporary is set on 2.53 acres on a coveted enclave at the end of a gated private island. The four-bedroom home offers open-concept living with awe-inspiring panoramic views of Long Island Sound. Enjoy waterfront living among secluded sandy beach, jetty, swimming lagoon, boating dock, wraparound deck, balconies and patios.

**Schools:** Kings Highway Elementary, Staples High School

baths are all generously proportioned and finely appointed. The master suite is a soothing escape highlighted by a vaulted ceiling, water views, French doors to a balcony and an indulgent master bath.

For outdoor entertaining, the wraparound deck is a wonderful spot to sit and watch the boats sail by while sipping cocktails with friends or enjoying morning coffee. The location offers the perfect vantage point to enjoy both Westport and Norwalk fireworks and the two and one-half acre property offers plenty of space for tents, bands or dj’s and guests. Patios, terraces, stone walkways, a sprawling lawn and a large stone fire-pit offer plenty of spaces for congregating among the scenic vistas.

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