

## &gt; HOME OF THE WEEK

# Luxury York Mills home has space aplenty

Mansion with library, smart tech, five bedrooms resembles castle with turrets

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**Location:** 96 Northdale Rd., Bayview Ave. and York Mills Rd.

**Asking price:** \$3,980,000

**Size:** about 5,650 square feet, plus a 2,652 square-foot finished lower level

**Lot:** About half a hectare, four-car attached garage, circular drive

**Taxes:** N/A (new construction)

**Bedrooms:** 5

**Bathrooms:** 7

Historic design joins the future with a modern-day castle in Toronto's up-scale York Mills area.

With a stone facade, copper roof, gothic-style windows and pair of turret features, this new custom home opens its doors to a 30-foot high foyer illuminated by a massive skylight. Upstairs, each of the five bedrooms has its own private ensuite.

"This home is in the prestigious Windfields neighbourhood that makes up part of an area of affluent Toronto homes known as Millionaire's Row," says Bruno Schickedanz, CEO of luxury builder BGS Homes Inc.

"It features a second-storey terrace fit for a gala. The new owners will also enjoy the wine room, the conservatory, Thermador appliances, a walk-in pantry and the fireplaces. Smart-home technology allows the future owners to adjust lighting and music, and to monitor their home via surveillance cameras from anywhere in the world on their smartphone."

The home, registered with the province's Tarion warranty program, backs onto a ravine that is part of the Vyner Greenbelt.

"Residents here have easy access to top public and private schools, up-scale shopping malls, parks and walking trails, the TTC subway and highways," says listing agent Vivien Liang. This sprawling mansion also



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This exterior of the home features a stone facade, cedar shingles and a four-car attached garage.



Granite counters and custom cabinetry make up the kitchen.



The solid walnut front double door opens to the foyer.



The six-piece master-bedroom ensuite includes double sinks.

features cedar shingles, half-round eaves and dormer windows.

The front double door is nine feet high and made of solid walnut. It opens to the grand foyer, complete with a chandelier, cove lighting, a porcelain-tile floor, two double closets and a vaulted, beamed ceiling. Main-floor ceilings rise 10 feet.

On one side of the foyer is the dining room, with crown moulding, a hardwood floor, built-in speakers and a seating area in the windowed turret. The dining room connects to a servery that has a sink, pot lights, cabinetry, granite counters and a marble herringbone-tile backsplash.

Next to the servery is a mud room, with direct access to the garage. The servery also opens to a large walk-in pantry which in turn has double doors that lead to a bar or wine room with quartz countertops.

On the other side of the foyer, the living room also contains a windowed seating area in the turret. A hardwood floor, wainscoting, crown moulding, two chandeliers, a ceiling medallion, decorative columns and a fireplace with a limestone mantle complete this room.

The sophisticated kitchen is at the rear of the home and features granite counters, custom cabinetry, a porce-

lain-tile floor, an island with a sink, a marble-tile backsplash, high-end stainless-steel appliances and a double-door walkout. The kitchen opens to the breakfast area, which encompasses a porcelain-tile floor and wall of curved windows.

On the other side of the breakfast room is the open-concept family room, with wall sconces, a hardwood floor, custom window trim and a gas fireplace with a limestone mantle.

The home also contains a large library, fitted with pot lights, a hardwood floor and wall of curved windows. A powder room completes this floor.

A circular wood staircase with a detailed wrought-iron railing leads to the upper-floor gallery that overlooks the foyer. Here there are pot lights, wall sconces, gothic windows, a hardwood floor and nine-foot high ceiling. Highlights of the sizable master bedroom include a chandelier, pot lights, double-entry doors, his-and-hers walk-in closets, a seating area in the windowed turret and a walkout to a balcony that overlooks the front yard.

The six-piece master-bedroom ensuite features double sinks, porcelain tiles, marble counters, a makeup area, a corner shower stall, a water closet for the toilet and bidet, a corner step-up soaker tub surrounded by windows and a walkout to a rooftop patio.

A second bedroom contains a walk-in closet, a hardwood floor, a three-piece ensuite and a walkout to the rooftop patio. A third bedroom is fitted with a walk-in closet, a seating area in the windowed turret, a three-piece bathroom and a walkout to the front balcony.

There are two more bedrooms, both with pot lights, hardwood floors and three-piece ensuites. A second-level laundry room consists of quartz counters, a porcelain-tile floor and plenty of built-in cabinetry.

The lower level is finished as one large open space with nine-foot high ceilings. It is pre-wired for a movie theatre and has plumbing for a bar. It also has decorative columns, a double-door walkout, a three-piece bathroom with a seating bench, and two furnace rooms.

The spacious backyard is private and contains many mature trees.

To view this property, contact Vivien Liang, BGS Realty Inc., Brokerage, 416-568-6549 or 1-888-884-0105.

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