



Cross End, Thurleigh, Bedford on 5 Acres.

Offers Over £900,000 Freehold

4 bedroom detached house for sale

Description

Sitting on the outskirts of Thurleigh, within the hamlet of Cross End, you will find a rural haven that offers you space, serenity and contentment. The gardens and land won the heart of the owners of this wonderful home. The family had aspired to have animals, but the interior of the property took a little persuasion. "There was oodles of space inside the house, it needed work but the more we viewed, the more we could see the potential this property offered us as a family."

The home is ideal for those looking for country living yet do not want to feel isolated; you can find amenities around two miles away, and the nearest town, Bedford, can be reached in around 15 minutes. The owner used to commute to London daily – the nearest train station is Bedford, and front door to arriving in London takes around an hour. Yet you are in the midst of a big equestrian area filled with bridleways and miles of open fields to walk your dogs.

As you arrive at 1 Cross End the electric gates feel a little luxurious but do give a reassuring welcome with easy access to the private driveway. The owners became first-time horse owners on moving to the property and have since also owned dogs, sheep, chickens, goats, and geese. With paddocks spanning five acres, two stables, two barns (ideal for a tractor or equipment), and a very large garage, it lends itself perfectly to those looking for a small holding or someone wishing to house their horses at home. There is good access from the lane to the land.

It's a home that changes with the seasons: the starkness of the winter landscape suddenly transforms and comes alive as spring approaches. Through the archway to the top garden, the flowers come into bloom and the gardens are filled with colour. A variety of pretty flowers form a blanket on the ground as cherry blossoms and honeysuckle add a subtle elegance. "It's very private and peaceful. The veranda is a suntrap, and one thing we will miss is sitting there in the evening wrapped in a blanket with a glass of wine, watching the most stunning sunsets; we have the most beautiful skies. The light that trickles through the silver birch, which is stunning. The garden does



come alive in the summer.”

“It is easy to take for granted the abundance of wildlife that we are blessed to witness on a daily basis, from rabbits playing in the evening, to deer gliding across the field. Pheasants and hares are also regular visitors. There is also potential to live sustainably, as we have a vegetable garden at one end of the garden together with a green house. We have grown a variety of fruit and vegetables over the years.”

The owners have worked hard to renovate the property over the years. The downstairs is perfectly laid out for family life. The kitchen has gorgeous views out over the paddocks and flows seamlessly into the dining area, a space where the family spend most of their time. “The dining room is the central hub of the house: you can see straight through the kitchen and out the window, and behind is the living room, where we enjoy a roaring fire on a cold day.”

It's a great space if you're entertaining family and friends. What is now the study used to be a games room, and during gatherings the kids would be in there gaming and yet not feel separated from what was going on in the rest of the home. “Another big attraction for us was the bedrooms, we have 4 good sized double bedrooms.” The owners added an en suite to their main bedroom, and you can imagine relaxing in the bath with candles lit at the end of a busy day.

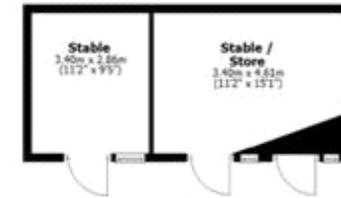
As much as the family have loved living here, the children are now grown and have left, and it is time for the owners to move on too. There is still plenty of potential – the roof space is huge and ripe for conversion, and there is also lots of space around the house providing opportunity for an extension of some kind. If you're a lover of outdoor living, enjoy the tranquillity of the countryside yet don't want to feel isolated, are seeking to keep animals, and need a spacious property, we think we have found the perfect home for you.

Tenure

Freehold

Ground Floor

Main area: Approx. 382 sq. metres (1951 sq. feet)
 Plus garage, approx. 62 sq. metres (332 sq. feet)
 Plus outbuildings, approx. 117 sq. metres (628 sq. feet)



First Floor

Approx. 78.1 sq. metres (841.3 sq. feet)



Main area: Approx. 167.9 sq. metres (1807.3 sq. feet)
 Plus garage, approx. 62.7 sq. metres (677.7 sq. feet)
 Plus outbuildings, approx. 47.3 sq. metres (510.8 sq. feet)

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