THE MODERN HOUSE



Dorset Sold

Gaunts Common

This wonderfully light and open single-storey house was designed by the architect Ian Taylor for his parents and is now on the market for first time since its construction in the mid 1980s. It can be found on the edge of the Dorset village of Gaunts Common, bordering onto open fields.

The three-bedroom home is arranged around a beautiful double-height dining area that features a large skylight. This is open-plan with a living area with a Norwegian woodburning stove. The property also has a kitchen / breakfast room, large utility room and two first floor 'balconies' that can be adapted to provide further study or sleeping accommodation. The loft provides plenty of storage space.

There is a garage and well-stocked, mature garden that is largely lawned, with a travertine and concrete terrace area. As with the house, the outdoor areas have been carefully maintained by the current owner. A full list of all the trees and shrubs (including honeysuckle, rose, iris and copper hazel to name but a few) can be provided upon request.

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Unsurprisingly for a house designed by an architect who has worked at some of the best firms in the UK (including Arup Associates and Feilden Clegg Bradley), the use of space is masterly and the material detailing is superb. Perhaps the most appealing feature is the pale Purbeck stone used for the columns and fire surrounds. A darker type of Purbeck stone is used for the work surfaces in the kitchen whilst the range of woods chosen include iroko (for the windows), wenge (for the door veneers) and white stained softwood that can be seen throughout the interior.

The Dorset village of Gaunts Common is surrounded by attractive countryside in one of the most picturesque parts of the country. The popular town of Wimborne is located approximately 4 miles to the south whilst Blandford Forum, with its wonderful Georgian architecture, is about 10 miles. Salisbury, Southampton and Poole/Bournemouth are all within approximately thirty minutes driving distance. All of these have mainline railway stations and the latter two benefit from international airports.

Wimborne Minster is a historic market town with a range of facilities including a Waitrose supermarket, Tivoli Theatre/Cinema and a variety of restaurants. There are excellent schools within the area including Dumpton and Castle Court with senior schools at Canford and Bryanston as well as good local primary and middle schools and the renowned Queen Elizabeth's School.

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