

THE MODERN HOUSE



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Sold*

St. Michael's Road

This immaculate four-bedroom house with a large, south-facing private garden can be found on St Michael's Road in the Stockwell Park Conservation Area. Internal accommodation exceeds 2,320 sq ft and is arranged over five levels. The house has been comprehensively renovated to a beautifully balanced design by architect Michela Bertolini, combining generous proportions and dramatic volume with a series of versatile spaces, all bound by cohesive monochrome elegance.

The Tour

Set behind a rendered parapet wall, the façade of the house is a perfect example of the Victorian terraces that line leafy St Michael's Road. Entry is on the raised ground floor, via steps up to the front door and into a long hallway.

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The majority of the ground floor is given over to the spacious reception room. Dual aspect and with soaring ceilings, this is a brilliantly bright space with windows that look out onto St Michael's Road at the front and onto the landscaped garden at the rear. A clever muted colour palette of black, white and grey tones is employed here, and throughout the house, creating a sense of considered serenity.

From the hallway, stairs descend to the lower-ground floor. Arranged in an open plan, it neatly houses the dining area, the kitchen and the current studio space. The muted palette continues; biscuit-coloured limestone tiles with underfloor heating run underfoot, while high-gloss cabinetry in the kitchen reflects and maximises light that pours in from dual aspect windows. From the dining area, glazed bi-fold doors open onto a terrace. The space at the front of the plan is currently configured as a ceramics studio but could easily be utilised as an additional living area. There is separate, independent access from St Michael's Road to this floor.

On the first floor, the large and wonderfully light main bedroom lies at the front of the plan, overlooking St Michael's Road; a walk-in wardrobe seamlessly connects the bedroom and the en suite. The bathroom uses a combination of neutral colours and pale marble to create a tranquil space that acts as a private retreat from the city. A sash window over the bath has leafy views of the garden.

There are two good-sized double bedrooms (one currently used as an office) and a large bathroom on the second floor. In the bathroom, a shower runs the length of the room, with polished limestone tiles, which continue on the sink and the worktop. Stairs ascend to the third floor, with a room currently used as additional wardrobe space, complete with full-width wardrobes and storage under the eaves; this could easily be repurposed as a bedroom or an office.

The current owners have overseen a detailed refurbishment that included complete re-wiring and re-plumbing and the installation of cast-iron radiators throughout. Original pine flooring has been retained where possible and stained to retain its grain, as have the original handrails and balustrades. Fireplaces in three rooms have been fitted with gas fires and surrounded by soapstone hearths.

Outdoor Space

Glazed doors open from the dining area on the lower-ground floor to a decked terrace with space for a dining table and chairs. Steps from here lead up to the rest of the beautifully verdant garden with a red robin, jasmine and a rose trained along the wrought-iron railings. Partially laid to lawn, mature trees form a canopy, with an olive tree and brick planters next to a calming pond with a waterfall feature. A raised seating area sits at the end of the garden, perfect for alfresco drinks in the warmer months.

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The Area

Situated between the busier hubs of Brixton, Clapham and Vauxhall, Stockwell is known as 'Little Portugal' for its large and diverse Portuguese-speaking community. The area has several good pubs, including local favourite, The Canton Arms, and a short distance to the south is The Landor with its large garden. Brixton, a lively area known for its excellent food and bar scene, is within easy reach, where Brixton Village, Market Row and Acre Lane are all highly recommended destinations. The Ritzy Cinema, Electric Brixton and Brixton O2 Academy are much-loved institutions. There are also regular farmer's markets in Brixton and Oval.

The beautiful Myatts Fields Park is a 15-minute stroll towards Camberwell, and for more expansive walks, the open fields of Burgess Park and Battersea Park are a 30-minute walk east and west, respectively. There are tennis courts, a café and a lake at Burgess Park, and the beautiful Battersea Park has an extensive frontage and riverside promenade to the Thames, where wide, tree-lined avenues meander around a large boating lake and through open lawned areas.

Stockwell station is approximately four minutes' walk for Victoria and Northern Line services to Oxford Circus, London Bridge, Waterloo and Kings Cross.

Council Tax Band: F

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