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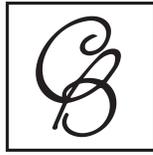
601 Valley Road, Watchung

FEATURE SHEET

Welcome to The Villa Elsinore – a prominent family owned estate built in 1905 by Charles Moldenke. Once well-known throughout the area, the Moldenke family also built the famed Castle Elsinore across the street, before it burned down in the early 1970s. Steeped in history and grandeur, this estate features the Main House, a breezeway to a new 3-car garage with a spacious and bright loft apartment above, newly renovated Carriage House featuring 2 bedroom/2 bath and the original 1.5 detached garage. When entering the Villa Elsinore, you are greeted with stone and brick columns and custom iron gates which open to a compound on nearly 4 acres. Once through the gates, the tree lining driveway, sprawling front lawn and meticulously landscaped hill with bluestone steps leads to a truly breathtaking wrap-around front porch where you'll enjoy a view of not only the property but the Watchung Hills for years to come.

Updates to the Villa Elsinore

- Entry gates and stone work done 6 years ago to replace the original Villa Elsinore entry. Granite plaques on either side state the address and that the home is named Villa Elsinore.
- Tree Lined Driveway planted last year to replicate the original home's drive. Nine autumn cherries will grow to be the perfect size and bloom in both spring and fall.
- Fenced the entire property 6 years ago for safety, privacy and security.
- Outdoor 8 camera security system done 6 years ago so that you can view all the home's entry points as well as the carriage house.
- Landscape architected front hill, around the house and in the backyard—done 3 years ago to beautify the hill leading up to the home.



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- Masonry set Bluestone slabs were placed as stairs that lead you up the hill from the sprawling front lawn.
- Irrigation system for front landscaping done 3 years ago, off the city water, not the existing well, to assure the beauty of the landscape architecture is maintained.
- Built new three car garages 7 years ago with loft apartment above and breezeway connecting the garages to the main house to contemporize the home that was originally built with a detached 1.5 car garage, that is still there and serves as a place to house tools, bikes, lawn/maintenance equipment.
- The Loft apartment above the garages has a vaulted main ceiling with wood beams, full bath, bedroom, living room, kitchen area that has electric and rough plumbing to complete.
- Stone retaining walls created for parking courtyard built 7 years ago to accommodate parking and access to the new garages. These walls are done with a mix of custom stone to match the newly surfaced chimney on the roof of the home.
- Removed main house oil tank 8 years ago and installed high efficiency natural gas system.
- Carriage house renovated a little over a year ago including a new kitchen, center island with granite, new flooring and carpet and renovated master bath.
- Renovated main house master bathroom 8 years ago to increase size and added radiant heat, high end fixtures, mosaic marble, custom vanity, massaging tub, oversized glass enclosed shower, stained glass custom windows and separate powder room with new closet



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- Added 2 new closets in the master bedroom on the rear wall of the sitting room 9 years ago. Manufactured custom doors for the closets to match the existing ones in the room.
- Renovated master bedroom roof deck 7 years ago to update railings and add a design element to beautify the look and view from the deck.
- Enclosed existing porch in rear of home 9 years ago to create a family room off the kitchen with new stone gas fireplace
- Installed new high-end timberline lifetime warranty roof 3 years ago to the main house and original garage.
- Painted and placed new awnings on the main house, carriage house, original garage, and new 3 car garages 5 years ago.
- Added custom cabinetry to the kitchen, renovated center island for more length and designed mosaic backsplash to add an element of art and focal point to the existing design.
- Updated and modernized the home's entrance by marblizing the walls and ceiling and faux painting the floor.