



Home Teasers 2018

Five not-to-be-missed homes will be on our tour this year with a bonus!

HOME NUMBER 1

This 3,000-square-foot home was built in three sections -- the original space, the central kitchen area, and a carriage shed which has since been converted to living quarters. The entire center section of the home was removed in the early 2000s after termite damage was discovered! History abounds in this home, which features a beehive oven in the living room, what is thought to be slave-hiding quarters in the basement, yellow pine floors, old beams, and whitewashed stone foundation. The owner of this home has kept it true to its origins. And, with good reason – it has been in her family since 1956!

HOME NUMBER 2

The kitchen of this home is an entertainer's paradise, with a double oven, plenty of room to mingle and cook, and a butler's pantry just off to the side. The frequent overseas guests of this home's owners are drawn into the family room where 18-foot cathedral ceilings and a floor-to-ceiling stone fireplace beckon. As you wander through the rest of this 4,600-square-foot home, be sure to take note of the massive walk-in closets off the master bedroom and the guest bedroom with en suite bath. But, take in the little details as well – the Irish pottery in the China cabinet, original English watercolors, furniture and hand-sewn Nova Scotian quilts from the home owners' ancestors, images from homes abroad, and pill boxes from all the British royal family celebratory events.

HOME NUMBER 3

The homeowners of this home have taken a 1930s Adirondack-style log cabin and transformed it into a full-time waterfront oasis. This 2,000-square-foot dwelling now has radiant floor heating and sliding barn doors. The former porch has been closed in with stunning floor-to-ceiling windows facing the South and West sides of the lake. Nods to the home's history shine through the renovation, however. Take note of the original fireplaces throughout the residence, including those on both the first floor and in the basement. The stunning stonework in the basement is original to the space and the boards in the laundry room were re-purposed from the home's former boathouse. Even Hollywood has visited this featured home!

HOME NUMBER 4

This open concept Colonial boasts soaring ceilings, the most up-to-date modern details, and recent renovations to both the kitchen and master bathroom. Built 20 years ago, this nearly 3,800-square-foot home sits on just under 2.5 acres and has plenty of space both inside and out! Perhaps the gem of this dwelling is the meticulous renovation of the kitchen, featuring a marbled quartz counter island and hand-painted wall tile. Perfect for entertaining, the kitchen opens into a family room with a cathedral ceiling and windows galore, which allows for maximum sunlight and idyllic views of the surrounding greenery. With a gas fireplace, this room is the perfect location to enjoy those cozy New England winter nights.

HOME NUMBER 5

Coined a “Colonial Farmhouse,” this 3,500-square-foot home is enviable for its charm, open space, and finishing touches. Built more than 20 years ago, the homeowners of this West Groton house recently updated it with cosmetic and design flair, extending the hardwood floors into the rest of the first floor. The result was a seamless match to the original flooring that came from the 18th century Boone Hallow Barn out of the Ohio River Valley. The entertaining-friendly kitchen is featured under a sun-drenched skylight, perfect for spotlighting the newly installed leathered granite countertops.

BONUS LOCATION!

Those rebuilding this year’s bonus location took great care to honor its history, and these details will be evident as you tour one of Groton’s brightest spots. Hickory wood floors run throughout the main level, framed by a wood-burning fireplace. Local artwork is hung on picture rails, the traditional way to hang artwork in Colonial times. Think you’ve seen all there is to see here? Think again, as The Groton Inn is allowing attendees of this year’s Home Tour to visit places of the Inn, and surrounding grounds, not open to the public!