

# Estate of New York Auction House Owner Arlan Ettinger Comes to Market with William Pitt Sotheby's International Realty

Property of Guernsey's co-founder features European Country-style manor on 111 acres

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William Pitt Sotheby's International Realty today announced that the Litchfield County, Conn., property of Guernsey's auction house owner and co-founder Arlan Ettinger is now for sale. Kent agent Ira Goldspiel has the Salisbury, Conn. listing, which is offered at \$6,850,000.

Founded in 1975 by Ettinger and Barbara Mintz, the New York City-based auction house Guernsey's claims to have held the largest auction in history with the sale of the contents of ocean liner S.S. United States. Other highlights among the company's many diverse auctions include sales of vintage racing cars, the \$3 million McGwire baseball, artifacts from the life of John F. Kennedy and pieces from Elvis's Graceland. In addition, auctions of the guitars of Jerry Garcia and pieces from Mickey Mantle's family have both set sales records.



Known as Sugar Hill Farm, the estate encompasses 111 acres on a high elevation, with unspoiled, distant views stretching for more than 50 miles east, south and west. The property is mostly comprised of open rolling fields and pastures, crossed with stone fences and wooded preserves, and has a two-acre swimmable spring, stream-fed swimming pond and orchard of approximately 200 pear and apple trees. Appalachian Trail land abuts on three sides.

A half-mile driveway climbs through the acreage to a large courtyard that introduces the 9,100 square-foot main house, which was sited to take full advantage of the views. The home evokes the feel of a European country manor, from the curved French doors that open into the home to the vintage French moldings throughout. The spacious living room has massive, rough-hewn posts and beams from an 18th-century New England barn, and stretches from front to back with several sets of French doors framing the views. With floor-to-ceiling windows and a French door capturing the view, the remodeled kitchen is equipped with commercial-grade appliances, custom cabinetry, a fireplace and spacious eat-in area. The main-floor master bedroom features three sets of French doors, built-in bookcases and an updated bath. The property has a total of six bedrooms and four full and three half baths.

The grounds include a recently renovated guest house, recently built 2,400 square-foot barn, workshop barn and cabin next to the pond. A clearing in the woods on the way to the pond is currently used as an archery range, but offers a potential site for a tennis court.

"The views at this astonishing estate are nothing short of breathtaking. The whole property is completely private, yet only minutes from town," said Goldspiel. "Within, the residence exudes a delightful combination of elegance and rusticity, with soaring ceilings and grand common rooms that flow easily for entertaining. This offering represents a rare buying opportunity."

For more information on the property, [click here](#).

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