

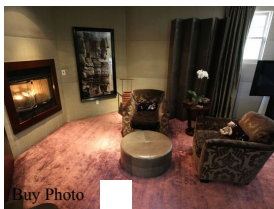
Explore \$5M Hollywood-style retreat in Purchase



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Ho-hum Purchase carriage house remade into a stylish 9,500-square-foot retreat



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Samantha Berkowitz has spent the last 16 years transforming a very ordinary old carriage house in the Sky Meadow Farm development in Purchase into a Hollywood-style home with 9,489 square feet of lavishly decorated interior space.

Berkowitz has terrific taste and sense of space and she's obviously enjoyed every minute of enlarging, renovating and redecorating the six-bedroom, nine-bath house.

She picked the very best custom furniture, fabrics, appliances, electronic systems, and wall finishes and treatments. The walls in the formal living room are Venetian plaster. In the dining room, the walls are waxed and the ceiling is silver leaf. For most of the public rooms on the first floor, Berkowitz chose a lovely off-white

French limestone. Luxurious silk carpeting covers the master bedroom floor.

Some of the rooms are quite dramatic, with soaring ceilings and space for oversized art pieces and fixtures. "I want everything to feel organic and serene and sexy," she says.

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And now her two teenaged daughters are growing up fast, and she has decided to put the very quiet and private 3-acre property up for sale.

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A separate pool house with an octagonal dining room was added in 2001. (Photo: Mark Vergari/The Journal News)

The house is listed for \$5 million with Wendy Alper of Julia B. Fee Sotheby's International Realty.

"I built this — every ounce is mine," Berkowitz says with a smile. "And now it's time to move on."

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Price: \$5 million, with annual estimated taxes of \$76,778

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The foyer has 24-foot ceilings and an original fieldstone wall. The floor is custom-cut French limestone. (Photo: Mark Vergari/The Journal News)

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