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Enjoy scenic views from the top-floor penthouse at Crystal Bay

By Pamela Brown

Everyone dreams of a penthouse by the lake, and this stunner can be your dream come true.

"The gorgeous vista of Candlewood Lake is the defining feature of this home. There's northeastern exposure with breathtaking northern views," said Kellie Martone, Realtor with William Pitt Sotheby's International Realty's Northern Fairfield County Brokerage. Numerous oversized windows, along with glass sliders and French doors offer picturesque New England views of the lake. Two separate balconies also provide scenic water views. The best part is you can easily enjoy them from the grand room, the dining area, and the master bedroom.

Built in 1998, the contemporary-styled ranch is located at 39-40 Crystal Bay, a beautiful waterfront community comprising 39 units. Sited on a private cul-de-sac, the penthouse is accessed by an elevator that seamlessly leads to your private abode.

"This unique, one-level, 3,000-square-foot residence is double in size from the other units. The penthouse encompasses the entire top floor of the building," said Martone.

A vast open layout offers an abundance of living space that's detailed with much-desired features, including lustrous oak hardwood floors; classic white trim; high ceilings throughout; recessed and pendant lighting; and a wall of windows overlooking Candlewood Lake.

"This stunning Crystal Bay double unit penthouse on the shores of Candlewood Lake is all about contemporary elegance. It's a setting for memorable entertaining and relaxed living," said Martone, adding, "A grand marble foyer with a high ceiling and columns introduces the elegance that continues throughout the home."

The great room is magnificently adorned with oak hardwood floors; and a sleek gas log fireplace with a marble hearth. Glass sliders open to a balcony. Open to this expansive space is a spectac-



Located at Crystal Bay, a beautiful waterfront community, this double-unit penthouse has unmatched views from two balconies.

ular gourmet, eat-in kitchen that would make any professional chef jealous.

"It's aesthetically pleasing with custom cabinetry, onyx granite countertops, and high-end stainless steel appliances, including double wall ovens, a built-in microwave, a trash compactor, a refrigerator, and a six burner gas stove. These details provide the necessary tools for any chef," said Martone. In addition, the kitchen has double sinks; two dishwashers; and a skylight that keeps the room bright and inviting.

"A breakfast bar and a buffet counter with a wine cooler seamlessly blend the work and social zones."

A bright, airy dining room has one of the best views of Candlewood Lake. Enjoy scenic sunrises and sunsets from the glass sliders that open to the balcony. The room is detailed with a high ceiling; and oak hardwood floors.

"Distinctive pendant lights with a modern flair accent the spacious dining area," said Martone.

Enter a private office through French doors adorned with frosted glass for privacy and solitude. "They create an impressive entry," she noted. The room has oak hardwood floors; a bay window alcove with plantation shutters; and recessed lighting.

Find serenity in the sumptuous master bedroom suite. The room has oak hardwood floors; plantation shutters; a walk-in closet; recessed lighting; and a gas log fireplace. The room has two double closets; one is a walk-in. Step out on the private balcony to take in the glorious lake views. Equally lavish is the sumptuous master bathroom featuring a jetted tub; a frameless glass shower; and a double vanity.

Two additional bedrooms offer comfort and tranquility. Both have oak hardwood floors, planta-

tion shutters, recessed lighting, and ample closet space. One bedroom has a private, full bathroom; the other bedroom is attached to a full hallway bathroom.

Additional amenities include a nautical-inspired half bathroom located off the foyer; a large main level laundry room with a sink, abundant counter space and cabinetry, and large windows with plantation shutters; zoned central air conditioning; hot air zoned heat; a security system; Thermopane windows; extra insulation; and a one car detached garage with attic storage.

Living a resort-like lifestyle by the lake is incredible. "Of all the towns surrounding Candlewood Lake, Crystal Bay is one of only two condominium complexes located directly on the lake," noted Martone.

Every day, you can decide if you want to lounge outdoors on one of two balconies and bask in

nature's beauty or take part in numerous outdoor recreational activities, such as boating, paddle boarding, swimming, or water skiing. "Boat slips are just outside the door," she said.

The penthouse at Crystal Bay offers everything you could ever want in a home. "It's ideal for those with a refined taste who seek the best of both worlds — upscale, luxurious lakefront living without all the property maintenance and upkeep," said Martone. "It's also the perfect getaway for city dwellers since it's just 68 miles from New York City."

The home is offered at \$895,000. To view the virtual tour, visit www.WilliamPitt.com; MLS#99185377.

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