

3 Barkly Crescent, Forrest, ACT, 2603



House For Sale

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Bedrooms: 4

Bathrooms: 3

Parkings: 2

Type: House



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Classic Oakley & Parkes Character Residence in Forrest

This stunning residence comes brimming with old world charm and character. Increasingly rare to the Canberra market, this refined, elegant home shares its remarkable architectural pedigree with the prime ministerial residence, The Lodge.

Both were designed by architects Oakley and Parkes whose stamp is immediately apparent here in the glorious arched feature windows which add softness and elegance to the symmetrical façade. There are also numerous exquisite stained-glass windows strategically placed throughout the home including both main bedrooms and some of the bathrooms.

Framed by beautiful formal gardens and approached by a looping driveway, it makes for a grand entry experience befitting a residence of this calibre.

Unfurling across a single level, fastidious-yet-careful modernisation of the floorplan has ushered in all of the 21st century's expected comforts while preserving a host of characteristics from the home's 1920s origins.

The formal lounge and dining rooms to the front feature sash windows, battened ceilings, picture rails and polished floorboards. The lounge also has a decorative chandelier and original wood fireplace while a second wood fireplace in the nearby rumpus room has an abutting study nook. Those looking for a segregated workspace will enjoy the dedicated office off the dining room, with its own private entry.

A third fireplace in the casual living wing is highlighted by lavishly styled, upholstered window seats. This entire wing centres around a well-appointed gourmet kitchen and benefits from a triple aspect that includes one set of French doors to a glorious alfresco terrace and pool deck to one side, and a second set to an expansive wraparound travertine terrace that overlooks the formal rear garden and lush lawns.

Luxurious sleeping quarters are generous in this home. The main part of the house has a gorgeous parent's suite with opulent bathroom, walk in dressing room with luxury décor, and double sets of French doors which overlook picturesque gardens and lawn. The second guest suite also has an elegant ensuite bathroom, and walk-in robe overlooking an inviting inground pool. In addition to two secondary bedrooms, there is also a self-contained studio in the garden. As you enter it you'll see heritage writ large ... the frogged symbol of the Commonwealth etched into the underside of the original terracotta tiles.

Situated in a beautiful street renowned for its canopy of Spanish Oaks and minutes from coveted schools, boutique dining and shopping and the National Triangle, this superb home will deliver long-term lifestyle rewards.

FEATURES

- Exceptional Forrest private location
- Elegant and charming Oakley and Parkes design
- Sophisticated residence with garden studio
- Circular loop driveway
- Contemporary updates
- Classic arched feature windows
- Stucco exterior
- Saltwater pool accessed via French doors to pool deck and outdoor entertaining area
- Grand formal entertaining rooms with raw-silk drapes
- Feature sash windows, battened ceilings, picture rails and polished floorboards
- Numerous beautiful stained-glass windows
- 3 wood fireplaces
- Decorative chandelier + elegant light fittings
- Kitchen with five-seat waterfall-edge island bench, refrigerator plumbing, coffee station, 2 x Miele ovens and

integrated microwave, Miele induction cooktop and dishwasher

- Main bedroom with access to rear terrace, incredible walk-in wardrobe with signature wallpaper, pull-down storage system and vanity
- Main ensuite with honeycomb marble floor tiles, ceiling-mounted rainfall shower with bench seat, double balcony, towel cupboard plus mirrored storage
- Guest suite with access to pool terrace, walk-in wardrobe, plus additional wardrobe and ensuite bathroom with shower and bath
- Built-in wardrobes to bedrooms three and four
- Powder room near front entry
- Updated family bathroom, freestanding bath and shower
- Quality window furnishings and carpet throughout
- Doorway-surround bookshelves and storage to formal lounge
- Original doors
- Stunning stained-glass windows
- Two oversize skylights to hallway and rumpus
- Ducted gas and evaporative cooling
- Split-system heating and cooling to garden studio
- Tranquil and private rear garden
- Garden shed
- Irrigation system
- Automated double garage with access to rear plus modern joinery concealing a sink, space for an additional refrigerator or freezer plus storage shelving