

# A Delaware home that indulges the senses.

Immediate occupancy of builder's model now available



## *The English language is brimming with superlatives.*

Words such as spectacular, magnificent and greatest are commonplace. The problem is that more often than not they exaggerate the item they are describing. Well, the European manor-style home at 205 Carlow Drive in the 55-plus community of Milltown Village is an example where all the superlatives one can muster are applicable.

For those not familiar with Milltown Village, it bears mentioning that the

community is situated in the scenic Pike Creek Valley in New Castle County, Delaware, and affords sweeping views of hills and forests. In fact, there are 50 acres that have been set aside for forests, open space and walking trails. And the home is sited within an easy stroll to the planned community clubhouse.

As the original builder's model, the stone and stucco home was built to showcase the craftsmanship of Benchmark Builders, and to that end no expense was spared in the construction

and design. Upon entering the home through the dramatic two-story entrance foyer, you are greeted by an artfully executed and roomy interior highlighted by chestnut hardwood flooring that extends throughout the every-day living area, including the kitchen, dining room, family room and breakfast area. You'll also notice that rather than walls, columns and arches define the dining room, maintaining the basics of an open floor plan, yet setting it apart from the rest of the downstairs. The contrasting tray ceiling and bold chandelier lend a

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feeling of coziness and elegance.

Moving past the dining room area, a double-sided gas fireplace functions as the centerpiece of the great room, allowing it to face inward to the family room and outward to the large deck that is accessed through sliding doors in the breakfast room. Cathedral ceilings with skylights create an airy, open feel, and large Anderson floor-to-ceiling windows abound, bathing the entire living area in sunlight.

If the fireplace is the centerpiece, the kitchen takes center stage with its large prep island, rich walnut cabinetry and state-of-the-art stainless steel appliances. There's no question that it will be a fine place to prepare those festive holiday meals, which is indeed a possibility since the home is ready for immediate occupancy.

As a home built for the 55-plus lifestyle, a first-floor owner's bedroom suite is de rigeur. However in this case the concept takes a giant leap forward since all rooms and closets that make up the suite are accessed off a private owner's foyer. At the end of the foyer, sits the large sleeping area outlined on two sides by an abundance of windows. Luxurious designer touches are everywhere, but what really stands out is the multi-sided tray ceiling trimmed with crown molding and recessed lighting. Other notable features that are accessed off the owner's foyer include a massive walk-in closet, plus two additional closets that can be used to conveniently house every-day wear. And, of course, an opulent bathroom with all the perks one could desire is present and accounted for.

The entrance level also houses a nicely proportioned den that could be assigned



as a study or used as a home office. A second bedroom, full bathroom and fully equipped laundry room fill out the downstairs living space.

Leading upward and adding excitement to the overall design, an exquisitely detailed wrought iron and wood staircase beckons you upstairs. At the top, a large loft looks down on the great room on one side, the entrance foyer on the other. There's also a private bedroom suite of equal opulence to the first-floor owner's suite. With its own sitting room, spacious sleeping area and luxuriously finished bathroom, not only will

it afford optimal privacy, it will be a place of enjoyment for guests when they visit. There's also a large storage area off the loft that measures nearly 12 feet by over 39 feet so you'll have room to store whatever you like.

If you're a wine connoisseur, the completely finished basement is noteworthy in that at one end there's an enclave that houses a nicely sized wine cellar. Otherwise the size and layout of the basement will make it a perfect place for a pool table, music or media room.

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Overall, the design of this extraordinary home has all the features and space one could want, but that fact undersells the dramatic touches that are so epic, it feels like Cecil B. DeMille orchestrated every detail.

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## The Home

**LOCATION:** 205 Carlow Drive,  
Wilmington, DE 19808

**STYLE OF HOME:**  
Single level  
with full basement and loft

**PRICE:** \$690,000

**NEARBY SHOPPING:** Kirkwood  
Highway corridor, Newark, Pike  
Creek Shopping Center,  
Christiana Mall

**NEARBY RECREATION:**  
Carousel Farms, Greenbank  
Mill, White Clay Creek State  
Park, Middle Run Valley Park,  
Kirkwood Highway County  
Library, University of Delaware

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