## Country estate with private fishing pond in St. Cloud sells for \$1.7M

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This country estate has five bedrooms, five fireplaces, a detached five-car garage and five safes. (Premier Sotheby's International Realty)

A private and secluded 20-acre country estate that sits right by the Florida's Turnpike just sold for \$1.7 million.

"It's gorgeous. It's completely fenced in and there are two ponds on the property, one in the front, which is great for fishing and a smaller one in the back," said Danial Natoli, broker/ associate for <u>Premier Sotheby's International Realty</u> who represented the seller along with Irina Carp. "It's very private. The street is very quiet and private but with easy access to the turnpike," Natoli said. The home is also near Lake Tohopekaliga.

Two buildings sit on the property on Clay Whaley Road in St. Cloud. The main house has five bedrooms, six full baths, two half baths, and is about 6,800 square feet. It also has five fireplaces and five safes, including one that doubles as a "walk-in hurricane room." Natoli compared the house to a castle.

"The main house is all brick and concrete and surrounded by brick all the way up, which is really nice, beautiful porches in the front and back," Natoli said. A two-car garage is attached.

The other building is a detached five-car garage with 26-foot ceilings and a two bedroom, two and a half bath apartment above it. "You can put a boat, RV, car collection, you can put just about anything in there," Natoli said.



A rustic, two-bedroom guest retreat with wall to ceiling Cypress wood sits above the detached five-bay garage. (Premier Sotheby's International Realty)

In the main house, the master bedroom is on the first floor and four other bedrooms are upstairs, each with an attached bathroom. There is Brazilian Cherry wood flooring throughout and a six-burner gas stove surrounded by granite countertops and custom cabinets in the kitchen.

There is no pool, but the yard is perfect for wildlife spotting of the deer, turkeys, and other wildlife that often come by. The front pond is stocked with bass and bluegill for fishing.

"It's just perfect if you want that country setting. The design of the house really makes it special, and to be able to soak in the views of everything across the land between the two ponds is beautiful," Natoli said.

Public records list the sellers as Christopher Long and Margaret Bryan, who built the home in 2009. The deed lists the buyer as a trust with Jack Del Giudice as trustee. All are local to the Orlando area.

"One of the things I see about this property and some others that have acreage is they seem to be locals coming in the area almost as if people want land, but they reside in some HOA areas and just not a fan of the HOA," Natoli told GrowthSpotter.

Even though the area is secluded, new development is coming. The home sits just off Kissimmee Park Road Turnpike interchange, which is <u>set to be expanded</u> to a full four-way interchange in 2022. And it's close to the planned Edgewater community, where about 1,400 acres of property is <u>under contract for development</u>.

But the area immediately around this home should maintain its privacy, Natoli predicted.

"Most of the properties surrounding it have several acres and their houses sitting in the middle, so I don't really see development going in there. That whole area, I think is attracting buyers that just like the low density, but yet easy access to get anywhere they want," he said.