

LETTER FROM THE SELLER

143 Calvert Court, Piedmont

Dear Potential Buyer,

Welcome to The Spalding House! Built in 1965 by famed Case Study architect Edward Killingsworth. The Spalding House is a perfect specimen of mid-century modern architecture, with its blurring of lines between indoor and outdoor, open concept and dramatic yet simple lines. I have lived in the house for almost five years, and believe that during my time here I made several important upgrades but worked hard to maintain the original integrity of the home. I am a mid-century modern enthusiast and hope that you like the upgrades that I have done throughout the house.

As such, I added some design elements, but my largest contribution was the front and side landscaping. When I bought the house, these areas were taken over by several overgrown pine trees; two had been topped, and one was even attached to the roof to prevent it from falling over on to the neighbor's house! I spent months and a small fortune having the trees chopped, roots dug out, leveling the ground and developing terracing in order to create a usable and appealing outdoor area. I went to Palm Springs to find inspiration for the exterior design and hope that you experience the sense of relaxation and escape that I tried to create with the design.

I added the marquee light fixtures in the front entryway, the dining room, kitchen, guest powder room and the upstairs and downstairs bathrooms. I added solar panels as well as the back deck, which was in the original design for the house but was never built.

This house is perfect for entertaining, and I did as much of that as I could with my schedule. The house has also been the sight of a wedding, an engagement photoshoot, an engagement party, and several corporate and video photoshoot and fashion shoots!

I love the peaceful surroundings, the squirrels, deer and wild turkeys that you'll find walking around the property, and the occasional fox! The beautiful Live Oaks are so dramatic and I never get tired of waking up in the tree tops. (PS: I'm a light sleeper so I added custom blackout curtains in two of the bedrooms!) My favorite area to kick around in is Grand Lake where I would grab a slice of the best pizza you've ever had at Arizmendi, take in a movie at the historic Grand Lake Theatre or grab a house made vodka tonic at Boot and Shoe.

Sadly, I am selling this house as it is simply too big and too much for me. I am a single working professional and I travel 50-70 percent of the time, so I was never home to really enjoy it. I plan to move to a smaller house that is more suitable to my current lifestyle and hope to pass along this beautiful property to someone who will love it and care for it as much as I did.

- The Seller of 143 Calvert Court