

15 Fitzroy Place, Sandy Bay, Tas 7005



Sold House

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Bedrooms: 11

Bathrooms: 6

Parkings: 10

Area: 1697 m2

Type: House



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For over three decades, "Hathaway" has been more than just a property; it has been a cherished home for the Ingles family. Grand in both stature and size, this remarkable standout residence has played host to Nick and Elizabeth Ingles and their two children, who have grown and flourished within its impressive walls and the surrounding garden paradise. Not to mention, it has been a welcoming embrace for their five adored grandchildren, who have filled these rooms and grounds with laughter and love. Nestled in this exclusive wide, tree-lined street of imposing houses, "Hathaway" has its own stately presence showcasing its Federation Queen Anne architecture and surrounding unforgettable gardens and façade. The story of "Hathaway" began just over 30 years ago when Nick and Elizabeth acquired the property. At that time, it was a nursing home, aging gracefully but yearning for a new chapter. Nick and Elizabeth, with unwavering determination and a shared passion for interior decoration, embarked on a remarkable journey to restore "Hathaway" to its former glory, both inside and out. Their vision brought forth a flamboyant Victorian style that would become the hallmark of "Hathaway". Each room bore their personal touch, meticulously designed to evoke a sense of grandeur and warmth. "Hathaway" seamlessly blended the allure of separate living spaces with the charm of communal areas, making it a haven for family gatherings and cherished memories. One cannot speak of "Hathaway" without mentioning the enchanting outdoor courtyard. Encircled by lush greenery and serenaded by the harmonious Choir at Fitzroy Place and the melodious birds, this courtyard exudes tranquility and serenity. It has been a place of respite and reflection for the Ingles family and their guests, a true oasis within the property's confines. As you approach "Hathaway", your eyes are drawn to the enormous Oak tree that graces the front yard and beautiful arched paved forecourt, where you could easily imagine a horse drawn carriage arriving to collect or drop off guests in day's gone by! This majestic sentinel has stood proudly for nearly a century, bearing witness to the property's evolution. It welcomes guests with open arms, a living testament to the care and attention that has been devoted to Hathaway's gardens over the years. As you walk beneath the archivolt that clearly defines the entrance and the name, "Hathaway", the proportions of grandeur and style ebb and flow to within, apparent as you step into the front entrance hall. High ceilings (12 foot in most instances), ceiling roses, wide decorative cornices, picture rails, high skirting boards, original fireplace mantles with surrounds - there is no shortage of eye candy if you love the romanticism and ambiance that comes with historic architectural features and the incredible craftsmanship dating back to the 1920's. With a combination of formal and informal living rooms and a minimum of five impressive bedrooms across both levels, there is no shortage of accommodation in the main residence. A downstairs study, dressing room and ample storage cupboards throughout are extras that more than meet the needs of a family at all stages of life. In addition to the main residence are two three bedroom flats at the rear of the property. These flats both have separate entrances to the main home and make the perfect in-law accommodation and/or rental opportunity. Alternatively, one of these could be demolished (STCA), to make way for an even larger level backyard space if you have children and pets who yearn for more outdoor space above and beyond the already extensive 1,697sqm (approx.) established grounds the buildings currently rest on. Now, as Nick and Lizzy gracefully enter their eighties, they have decided to embark on a new journey. It's time for them to downsize and pass the torch to another fortunate family, allowing them to experience the same joys, warmth, and love that "Hathaway" has brought to the Ingles family for all these years. "Hathaway" is not just a house; it's a repository of treasured memories, a testament to love, and a canvas for countless stories waiting to be written. Will you be the next chapter in the story of this magnificent Sandy Bay residence, "Hathaway"? Expressions of Interest over \$3,000,000 by 12 noon Wednesday 18th October 2023 NOTE: The Vendor reserves the right to accept an offer prior to this closing date.