

Le Fleur de la Riviere

Welcome to Le Fleur de la Riviere, (the Flower of the River). Step up from the spacious entry drive to the weather protected Ozark slate porch of this fully remodeled, one of a kind, custom abode. Behold the elegant, open flame, natural gas, copper chandelier, hand crafted in on Bourbon Street in New Orleans, by Bevolo, the original maker of these lamps. Enter through massive, but ornately feminine, custom built, eight foot double steel doors and prepare to experience a Coastal French inspired luxury accommodation like no other on Aubrey Butte.

A compass rose, composed of various exotic woods, inlaid into the solid hardwood flooring of the entry welcomes and orients you to your home base in Bend. Feel the richness and beauty of genuine hand laid, extra-long, wide plank, character hickory flooring which spans the entire main floor, (no “engineered” plywood and glue flooring here). This solid hardwood floor will be here long after *two* other engineered product floors are ripped up and sent to the landfill. Abundant light cascades from every direction as you enter the Great Room to marvel at its two story wall of Northern exposure windows. Marvel at the oversized La Mere Poulard inspired fireplace, (a famous restaurant dating back to 1879 on Mont-Saint Michel in France, where they cook their famous scrambled eggs in copper kettles over an open fire), with its dry stack stone and forged and hand hammered, medieval iron accents.

Look through the French doors for the first taste of the home’s several commanding territorial views, (a 220 degree span of 30 to 50 mile views of the horizon, from the city to the mountains, including Mt. Washington, Three Finger Jack, Black Butte, Mt. Jefferson, Smith Rock, Powell Butte, The Ochoco Mountain Range and Pilot Butte). This home boasts easy hiking proximity to the river, trails, parks and downtown Bend.

This comfortably elegant River’s Edge golf community home is completely unique in two ways. First, its extensive and unparalleled list of luxurious and convenience amenities for both entertaining and practical daily living. Second, the level and extent of renovation detail the home has received is simply unprecedented. This unique estate home was completely remodeled, while the owners lived away over a period of 18 months, at a total cost of approximately \$700k, (in pre-pandemic dollars). One of the area’s most respected and trusted firms, Sun Forest Construction, oversaw the project, completed in 2020, renewing this twenty one year old home into the exquisite, multifaceted architectural and lifestyle experience it is today. Le Fleur de la Riviere stands as a unique example of Southern and Coastal French architectural style while being emblematic of unique Bend lifestyle.

All areas of the main floor are seamlessly connected with an open concept design.

Among them, a large dining area with a romantic live flame gas chandelier. Serve the family breakfast and evaluate the weather conditions for your outing at Smith Rock, from over 25 miles away, as you sip your morning coffee in the dining room, or the large main balcony, (one of five total balconies in this amazing home). One of the eye catching features of the dining room is a warm and elegant beverage bar. Observe the finest built in, twin temperature zone Perlick wine captain with smooth ball bearing slides. Soak in the inviting tones of a hammered copper bar and its multifaceted, dimmable cabinet lighting. Beneath the bar is a purpose built three keg cooler and a custom red brass tap riser, tuned and finished by an expert draft system fabricator

from Deschutes Brewery. The insulated and power cooled tap tower is complimented by gold plated Perlick taps, ready to dispense your favorite ice cold sparkling rose, kombucha and craft microbrews.

The nearby and expansive chef's kitchen is anchored by a massive Taj Mahal quartzite natural stone island, a beautiful and rare product of nature, quarried only in Brazil, (*not* a quartz or mineral dust resin, and harder and more durable than granite). It features very generous seating for five, and a WOLF double griddle cooktop, topped with an extra-large and powerful, but quiet, (the industry's quietest), four motor Vent-a-Hood, artfully wrapped in hand formed copper and stainless. Extensive seasonal storage is available under the island with a massive pull out slider mounted on double 300 lb. rails, designed exclusively for safe and convenient storage of all your special holiday dinner service items.

Additional kitchen conveniences include a "center island pop up power dock" with USB, a built in TV, behind which is the hidden location of all the wifi gear, complete with power ventilation. A universal device charger drawer is just below to eliminate the tangled mess of countertop cords for phones, iPads and related accessories everyone brings to the kitchen. Not to be missed is the incredible pull out spice rack drawer, displaying all your spices at your fingertips, perfectly located under the WOLF cook top. A convenient vertical chopping board storage pull out and the extra-large drawers abound for all your kitchen and BBQ accessories. Complementing this incredible chef's kitchen are a host of thoughtful and convenient but hidden features like the touch sensitive electric garbage slider, which extends and retracts with the touch of a knee or finger, keeping your hands free and messes where they belong, and an abundant array of seven power outlets along the spacious main counter, and four around the island.

The remaining kitchen appliance package includes *dacor*, GE Monogram and Kitchen Aid making preparation of culinary delights, (and clean up), after social gatherings, or just casual family meals, simply a pleasure. The sous chef can help out in the kitchen, visit, (and stay out of the way), while keeping an eye on the big screen TV, working at the dedicated prep sink, complete with a convenient touch control faucet and a nearby surface level trash port for easy, hands free disposal of chopped waste.

The lovely powder room is certainly a guest favorite. It never fails to amaze with its tin ceiling accents and extensive array of soft, smart lighting to greet you. Smart motion sensors softly trigger to preset levels upon entry. The tasteful appointments include hurricane style, a mirror to the ceiling, a feminine Italian Carrera marble lavatory surface, floral patterned floating cabinet and hammered nickel sink. Guests say it makes them feel like royalty, which is no wonder, since there is a crown to top off your experience.

Essentially new again, every corner of the home has been updated. In addition to a host of stylistic elements, there are countless additional features. Every door, trim and moulding surface was bagged and sprayed, (not brushed). All ceilings and walls were repainted. All electrical receptacles were removed and replaced with the latest tamper proof units, for child safety. As well, every electrical switch in the home was replaced with luxury Decora style, LED compatible dimmers at all locations throughout the home. The plumbing system was updated, custom

cabinetry has been installed in the ensuite bathrooms, and each has large updated luxury showers with natural lighting.

The Great Room step down floor was reconfigured into one continuous level during the renovation, making it more convenient for all ages. The kitchen was removed and rebuilt with a new, larger and more welcoming and functional flow. New, extra plush carpet was installed in the upper floor and basement living areas. The exterior got two coats of Sherwin Williams SuperPaint, in a *seven color designer array*, including a traditional shade of “haute paint” over the porch entry to ensure only good spirits may enter – a Southern tradition.

In terms of this smart home’s mechanical systems, both the HVAC units include NEST smart thermostats, which are capable of sensing when you enter or leave the home, adjusting automatically for maximum comfort. Each can be monitored and controlled remotely from anywhere via cell phone. Both NEST systems have auxiliary monitors in critical areas, with temperature control priority, assignable by the hour, for optimal thermal management. The HVAC unit serving the main and basement levels has been upgraded with a 96% efficient, two speed furnace. Additional air ducts have been installed in both Western exposure bedrooms and the Southern facing office, to ensure maximum comfort year round no matter what the weather outside. Speaking of weather, the floors are thermostatically heated in the master and both ensuite bathrooms for your winter comfort. The home has two new hot water heaters, and an owner favorite “hot water loop”, providing hot water anywhere in the home in 5 seconds, an efficient and luxurious feat that cannot be duplicated by any tankless or “instant” hot water system.

Quietly optimized on Awbrey Butte, overlooking the city, and nestled in the serene nature of River’s Edge, yet only two miles from downtown, your new home’s proximity is only minutes from Bend’s finest attractions. Close to golf, hiking and the best West side schools, but a mere 20 minutes from skiing, and the airport, this peaceful neighborhood captures all the best elements of Central Oregon living in perfect harmony. Whether you are nested at home, working, exercising, recreating, entertaining or just enjoying a snow day, this extraordinary home is equipped to comfortably provide its owners with character, style and convenience.

