

OUR LIGHTKEEPER'S HOUSE AT 53 CUNNER ROCK ROAD, EAST BOOTHBAY, ME

BUILT ON THE FOUNDATION OF AN EXISTING CAPE STYLE HOME IN 1989-91, OWNED BY A MERCHANT MARINE SEA CAPTAIN, CAPTAIN BERRYMAN, THE INSPIRATION FOR THIS HOUSE WAS THE TENANTS' HARBOR LIGHTHOUSE, OWNED BY THE WYETH'S. FROM THE MOMENT I SAW THE SETTING, THERE WAS NO QUESTION WE WOULD BUILD OUR OWN LIGHTKEEPER'S HOUSE. IT COMMANDS THE PANORAMA OF OPEN OCEAN, WITH WORKING BOATS, PLEASURE BOATS, FISHING BOATS, AND EVEN OCEAN LINERS ON THE FAR HORIZON. WE USUALLY SEE PASSING WINDJAMMERS, AND THE GROWING NUMBER OF SUPERYACHTS. MONHEGAN ISLAND IS OFTEN SO CLEAR YOU CAN SEE THE CURTAINS ON THE WINDOWS.

FIREWORKS LIGHT UP THE SKY ON JULY 4 ALL AROUND, AS WELL AS STARS AND METEOR SHOWERS FROM THE TOWER. I EVEN ONCE SAW THE NORTHERN LIGHTS IN THE WINTER.

LIVING HERE YOU ARE ALWAYS PART OF THE SEA AND THE SKY. SUNRISSES, BACKLIT SUNSETS, APPROACHING STORMS, RAINBOWS, SEA SMOKE, AND WIND BLOWING TRACERY ACROSS THE OCEAN ARE SOME OF THE DAILY BEAUTY. LAST SEASON SCHOOLS OF FISH WENT BY DAILY, WITH EAGLES PERCHED ON CUNNER ROCK, ALONG WITH FISHING OSPREYS AND SEALS. WHALES HAVE BEEN SPOTTED.

OUR LIGHTKEEPER'S HOUSE IS SOMETHING OF A LANDMARK: NOTED BY TOUR BOATS AND USED FOR NAVIGATION AS IT CAN BEEN SEEN FROM FAR AWAY.

THE ROCKY SHORE PROVIDES ENDLESS AMUSEMENT: WALKING, COLLECTING SEA GLASS AND ODDMENTS. ONE CAN WALK FROM LITTLE RIVER ALL THE WAY TO GRIMES COVE. GRIMES COVE IS A SAND BEACH EASILY REACHED IN A FIVE-MINUTE WALK THROUGH THE WOODS. OUR FRONTAGE IS UNUSUAL IN THE AREA, AS WE OWN TO THE LOW TIDE MARK. MOST DO NOT EVEN OWN THE SHORE AT ALL.

CUNNER ROCK IS A GREAT PLACE TO CATCH "CUNNER," ROCK FISH. UNDER IT IS RACHEL CARSON'S "FAIRY CAVE" DESCRIBED IN HER BOOK "BY THE EDGE OF THE SEA." WE HAVE A PICTURE OF HER ON CUNNER ROCK. THE OLD STONE WALLS YOU SEE ALONGSIDE THE WOOD'S ROAD COMING IN ARE REMNANTS OF THE OLD GRIMES COVE FARM. THE OLD GRIMES COVE FAMILY CEMETARY IS IN THE WOODS.

IT IS AN EASY WALK TO THE OCEAN POINT TRUST CLUBHOUSE, ONE OF THE OLDEST SUMMER COLONIES AROUND. A BEAUTIFUL NEW "CASINO" WAS JUST COMPLETED THIS SUMMER, WITH PICKLEBALL, TENNIS, AND SPORTS COURTS. NUMEROUS ACTIVITIES FOR ADULTS AND CHILDREN ARE AVAILABLE IN SEASON.

ENJOY OUR ALMOST 10 ACRES OF PRIVACY, WITH PATHS THROUGH THE WOODS, FERNS, AND MOSS FIELDS. ADMIRE THE GROUNDS WITH MANY UNUSUAL AND SPECIAL PLANTINGS IN A NATURALIZED SETTING.

THE HOUSE:

--BUILT BY BOOTHBAY HOME BUILDERS IN 1989-91, WHOSE HOMES ARE OFTEN FEATURED IN DOWNEAST MAGAZINE.

--WE USED MANY NATURAL PRODUCTS WHICH WEREN'T IN COMMON USE THEN:

SOLID MAPLE FLOORING

SOUTHERN YELLOW PINE FOR UPSTAIRS BEDROOMS

FIR CUSTOM CABINETS IN GUEST BATH

VERMONT GRANITE IN KITCHEN

CUSTOM MAPLE CABINETS BY TONY JOSE, LOCAL CABINETMAKER

PELLA WINDOWS WITH TRANSOMS

TRANSOMS OVER BEDROOM DOORS

CUSTOM MILLWORK INSPIRED BY THE PERIOD

TILE FLOORING TO RESEMBLE SLATE, BUT LOW MAINTENANCE

CUSTOM STAIRWAY TO CATWALK, LOCAL STEELWORKER

VICTORIAN DETAILING FOR DECK RAILINGS

MAHOGANY DECKING ON ALL DECKS EXCEPT SPA DECK,
WHICH IS IPE.

WOOD CAST IRON STOVE

CATWALK WITH STAINLESS STEEL RAILINGS AND TRIM

METAL ROOF ON TOWER

"VERMONT" FARMHOUSE WINDOW IN UPSTAIRS HALL

THE OUTBUILDINGS:

--BUILT AROUND TEN YEARS AGO. LARGE TWO-CAR GARAGE HAS LARGE MULTIPURPOSE ROOM ON SECOND FLOOR WITH STORE AND FULL BATH.

--ONE-CAR GARAGE HAS WORKSPACE PLUS A STUDIO/PLAYROOM

WE HOPE YOU ENJOY VIEWING OUR LIGHTKEEPER'S HOME, A PLACE WE HAVE LOVED FOR 36 YEARS. IT IS READY FOR A NEW FAMILY TO CHERISH IT AND CREATE NEW MEMORIES.

WHY CHOOSE BOOTHBAY AND OUR LOCATION?

1. BOOTHBAY COUNTRY CLUB: RATED #1 IN MAINE. EVENTS, POOL, EXERCISE FACILITIES, FINE AND CASUAL DINING
2. BOOTHBAY BOTANICAL GARDENS: TOP TEN BOTANICAL GARDENS IN THE US. MANY OPPORTUNITIES FOR VOLUNTEERING AND MANY CLASSES AND TOURS. GARDENS AGLOW.
3. HIKING TRAILS
4. 1 1/3 HOURS FROM PORTLAND JETPORT AND PORTLAND CITY.
5. 3 HOURS PLUS FROM BOSTON
6. ABOUT 5 FROM NEW YORK
7. FULL SERVICE MARINA 5-10 MINUTES FROM OUR HOUSE IN EAST BOOTHBAY
8. MOORINGS AT GRIMES COVE AND CARD COVE.
9. WALK TO SAND BEACH AT GRIMES COVE.
10. OCEAN POINT COLONY: 100 YEAR OLD SUMMER COMMUNITY WITH TENNIS, PICKLEBALL, SPORTS COURT, AND MANY ACTIVITIES. BRAND NEW CLUB HOUSE (CASINO). SHORT WALKING DISTANCE.
11. BOOTHBAY IS CENTRALLY LOCATED WITHIN THE MIDCOAST AREA. NOT LIKE "NORTHERN MA" BELOW PORTLAND, NOR REMOTE AND AS TOURISTY AS FURTHER NORTH.
12. BOOTHBAY HARBOR HAS A WORKING HARBOR, WITH DEEP WATER. GROWING NUMBER OF SUPER YACHTS COMING IN.
13. OUR LOCATION: CONSIDERED PREMIER IN THE AREA. INDIAN PATH NAMED BECAUSE OF INDIANS IN AREA. GRIMES FAMILY CEMETERY. CLEANED UP WOODS. CUNNER ROCK WELL KNOWN IN AREA. RACHEL CARSON AND THE EDGE OF THE SEA.