

3131

MARS COURT, LAFAYETTE

Dear Prospective Buyers,

We looked at 140+ houses in Lafayette and Orinda before finding Mars Court.

While the house itself had some outstanding features like the exercise/craft/laundry room, the oversized primary bedroom and the sun filled family room that made it stand out from all the other homes we had seen, the yard, which is more like a private park, was the deciding factor.

Our daughters grew from infants and toddlers to university students in this house. Many a happy afternoon was spent playing in the pool with friends and cousins, the voices of young children drifting in through the screen doors. Our immediate neighbors at the time said that it made them happy to hear children playing in the pool, the sound of Summer.

Then as they got older, they would lounge by the pool and we would have backyard movie nights using a projector and a folding screen as the hot Summer days turned into warm Summer nights.

The yard though really shines in the Fall. The maple trees which were planted 60+ years ago burst into colors. Dark red, orange and flame red are quite breathtaking. It is a great pleasure to lie on a chaise lounge and look up into the flame red maple canopy, much as you might see in a garden in Japan. Then in Spring the magnolia tree and azaleas become the primary players in the garden. There is also a traditional black pine. The original owner who built the house was a Japanophile and we tried to honor her design aesthetic when we made subsequent additions to the yard.

This is a house which has already had several families who have made happy core family memories in their time here. We hope that the next owners enjoy their time in this house as much as we have. Warmly,

Sellers of 3131 Mars Court