

One of a Kind

# Luxury, private vineyard estate with awe-inspiring panoramic views

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A vineyard estate in Walnut Creek's Northgate neighborhood goes above and beyond showcasing exceptional craftsmanship, amenities, and ultimate privacy.

Nestled against acres of open space protected by the Williams Act, the 1.2-acre property commands attention

## Vital Stats

**What:** Vineyard estate nestled against open space in Walnut Creek's Northgate neighborhood

**Where:** 3716 Northgate Woods Ct., Walnut Creek

**Size:** Approximately 5,143 square feet on approximately 1.2 acres.

**Bedrooms:** Four

**Bathrooms:** Four full, and one powder room

**Features:** Milguard windows, Andersen doors, Hunter Douglas duets blinds, Brazilian cherry hardwood floors, Walker Zanger tile, Crema Marfil marble imported from Spain, Turkish travertine, all-house and exterior home audio with volume controls, Coax Cable and Ethernet with centralized patch panel and IT closet, eight-foot solid wood interior doors, walk-in closets, and en suite bathrooms in each bedroom, wine cellar with custom racks, custom foam-based stone pillars, decorative window casing and awnings, Three Rivers decorative rock, Riviera pebble tec pool, spa with new pump, waterfall, built-in barbecue, pergola, outdoor speakers, private terrace with hot tub and fireplace off master bedroom with a bridge over the vineyard, split tilt plantation shutters, whole house fan, new bedroom carpet, phantom screens, and central vacuum.

**Price:** \$3,250,000

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at the end of the cul-de-sac at 3716 Northgate Woods Ct. Custom built in 2001, meticulously maintained and updated, it is on the market for the first time. A team of talent, the late Donald Grimoldi of Grimoldi Construction and Gary Wheeler of Arete, created the two-level estate. About 5,143 square feet of living space features a richly-layered interior designed by Sandra Brown Interiors of Danville, with gorgeous finishes from Crema Marfil marble imported from Spain and Brazilian cherry wood floors to Old World textured walls, decorative trim, crown molding, and soffits.

The remarkable attention to detail extends to the resort-inspired, professionally-landscaped backyard where Three Rivers rock is extensively used in the loggia, pavilion with a gas fireplace, and around the built-in barbecue and Riviera pebble tec pool, spa, and waterfall.

Stroll along the pathways that wind among the rows of wine-producing grapevines basking in the sunshine. Arrive at the top of the hill and relax in the arbor-covered retreat with a fire pit and enjoy an idyllic venue to witness inspiring sunsets over the distant mountains, Walnut Creek city lights, Mt. Diablo, and hundreds of acres of open space. About 250 10-year-old vines include 200 Cabernet

and 50 Petite Syrah grapevines annually yielding about two barrels or almost 600 bottles of wine.

An additional quarter acre of level land is available to customize further.

There are four bedrooms, each with en suite bathrooms plus one powder room. This includes a main-level guest suite plus an executive office with extensive built-ins and wainscot behind leaded glass French doors.

Step down into the elegant formal rooms designed to accommodate large gatherings. The formal dining room has a front-facing view window, crown molding, and a coffered ceiling. A nearby butler pantry with a wine refrigerator also has access to the 300-plus-bottle-capacity wine cellar.

Stately columns define the formal living room where the coffered ceiling soars to about 24 feet. French doors and clerestory welcome an abundance of natural light into this room that also features a gas fireplace.

A gourmet kitchen is open to a casual dining area, an expansive family room, and an adjacent game room that share a dual-sided fireplace. The game room has a bay window, and a walk-around bar with a honed granite counter, pass-through window, and U-line refrigerator.

Well appointed with Turkish travertine floors, the kitchen features Thermador, Dacor,



Bosch, and GE stainless appliances and has been updated with new Cambria natural quartz counters, island, and cabinets.

Three bedrooms plus an open bonus room/library/study area with built-in workstations are located upstairs. The open landing overlooks the living room and foyer with views of the open space.

The luxurious master suite is located behind double doors. This spacious retreat has a sitting area, and access to the private terrace with a hot tub and fireplace. The master bathroom is enhanced with Walker Zanger tile, a dual sink vanity, oversized shower, and deep soaking tub. Access

the walk-in closet from the bathroom or bedroom.

The ideal Northgate area location means convenient proximity to downtown Walnut Creek, nearby shopping, dining, and easy freeway access. Nearby are also numerous hiking and equestrian trails and top-rated schools all within two miles, including Valle Verde Elementary, Foothill Middle, and Northgate High School.

Additional features include a four-car garage, two water heaters, and three HVAC units, two of which are newer, a whole house fan, security alarm, and IT closet for easy maintenance of wired and wireless services.