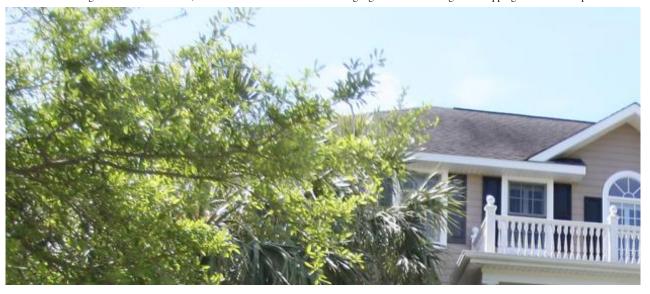
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1143 Sea Eagle Watch -- Traditional, lower James Island home overlooking lagoon showcases high-end trappings

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Equidistant from Charleston and the beach, a newer established neighborhood east of Folly Road displays striking properties backing up to ponds, canals and oversized Clark Sound.

The community, Seaside Plantation, numbers around 100 upscale homes boasting standout looks and featuring ample yards. While residential prices run up to \$2 million, the tranquil subdivision with public boat landing also exposes deals on swanky houses available in the mid to upper six figures.

A standard-bearer of these well-valued residences matching plush interiors and pristine surroundings is 1143 Sea Eagle Watch, on the market for \$669,000. The

two-story, 2,819-square-foot house built in 2000 carries four bedrooms, three full bathrooms and a powder room on a nearly one-third acre home site. The lush fenced-in backyard borders a canal that meets Seaside Creek, which flows into the sound. According to the listing agent, there's enough space in the rear lawn to make room for a swimming pool.

"It's ideally suited for a family and an executive couple," says Bryan Thompson, associate with AgentOwned Realty. The property has attracted potential buyers, he says, noting he's fielded "a lot of phone calls (showing) interest." Thompson anticipates a number of "late spring buyers."

Along with an elegant interior, the house sports a fourcar garage offering plenty of storage as well as places to park vehicles.

Another perk includes the convenient setting of the bedrooms. There are three guest sleeping quarters on the second floor served by Jack and Jill and separate

bathrooms. Downstairs, the master suite shows off an extra-large bedroom with walk-in closet and luxurious bathroom touting a jetted tub and roomy shower.

"The number one question, no matter the age of clients, they all want the same thing: master bedroom on the ground floor," Thompson says. One advantage to a first-level bedroom suite is "resale value," says Greg Gelber, fellow associate with AgentOwned Realty who is working with Thompson on marketing the house.

House shoppers also want to know about schools,
Thompson says. The neighborhood fashions a car pool to
Porter-Gaud private school in West Ashley near Folly
Road, he says.

In his listing remarks, Thompson calls the 1143 Sea Eagle Watch a "stunning home." Citing the main floor master bedroom and executive style design, the Realtor says the traditional house is built "to emulate some of the finest homes in Charleston."

The home encompasses a "beautiful" upgraded kitchen, he says. The owners installed \$20,000 worth of interior shutters and crown molding in the separate dining room. The property includes a seawall added at the pond. The very large garage proves to be "great for inside boat storage," Thompson says. A separate office sits off the garage.

The residence is situated in the upper crust section of Seaside Plantation known as the Estates. Thompson refers to it as a "social neighborhood." Community amenities include a boat ramp and storage down the street from 1143 Sea Eagle Watch, as well as walking and jogging trails in the wooded enclave.

The house shows off new heating, ventilation and air conditioning components. A centralized guest area on the second floor makes visitors "very comfortable," Thompson says.

Also distinguishing 1143 Sea Eagle Watch are various inside and outdoor perks, including:

- Contemporary fireplace in the living room.
- Wooded exterior.
- Eat-in kitchen, which also counts a dishwasher, electric cooktop, range, built-in microwave and refrigerator.
- Sun room.
- Laundry and utility room with washer and dryer..
- Vaulted living room ceiling.
- Backyard deck and wooden enclosed fence.
- Front and screened-in porches.
- Lawn irrigation.

"This is a pretty home," Thompson says.

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