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Hot Property: Beverly beauty dazzles

Hot Property - 32 Abbott Street in Beverly, MA .

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Attention buyers who have been hemming and hawing over moving out of the city. There's a Beverly gem that will have you packing boxes and heading to the North Shore.

The updated single-family at 32 Abbott Street has just about everything buyers are looking for, neatly wrapped in a sweet 19th century Victorian shell. Cabot Street's eateries and the beach are equidistant, so grabbing a coffee from your (new) favorite local shop and heading down to the beach is not only possible, it's highly encouraged.

A welcoming farmer's porch in the front and a sizable raised bluestone patio plus fenced-in backyard in the rear of the home offer up prime outdoor living opportunities. Add a big whiff of salty air and the shade from a mature evergreen and you can feel the outside world melt away.

Inside, the home exudes vintage character in the form of the original stairs, built-in cabinetry, moulding, and bay windows. This timeless aesthetic is only augmented by significant updates to the kitchen and bathrooms. There, you'll find sleek fixtures, clean lines, and in the case of the primary en-suite bath, a giant soaking tub that would astonish the home's 1865 inhabitants.

Two bedrooms including the primary and a bonus office space on the second floor are followed by two more sunny bedrooms with vaulted ceilings on the third floor. It's a lot to pack in just under 2,000 square feet, but the home's proportions feel just right.

Open house hours are Friday, April 21 from 4:30 p.m. to 5:30 p.m., Saturday, April 22 from noon to 1:30 p.m., and Sunday, April 23 from 1 p.m. to 2:30 p.m.

The home is on the market for \$919,000. The sale is represented by **The Boston Home Team** with Unlimited Sotheby's International Realty.