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## WELCOME HOME

AN INSIDE LOOK AT ATLANTA'S HOT REAL ESTATE MARKET



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Listed by Gwendolyn McFarley of Re/Max Metro Atlanta and located in Towhee Park neighborhood, this six-bedroom home by Legit Design Group was built in 2014 and is highlighted by a two-story great room boasting a wall of windows that looks out to an infinity pool. \$12.5 million, 7800 Northside Drive, gwendolyn@re.com

# PRIME RESIDENCES

*It only takes one look at the skyline dotted with cranes to know Atlanta's still steadily rising, expanding and stretching, all to the benefit of our white-hot real estate market.*

BY WENDY BOWMAN

## NUMBER CRUNCH

# \$48 million

The value of the most expensive home for sale in the state, according to the Georgia MLS. Known as **Chestnut Hall** (chestnuthallestate.com), the massive limestone-and-brick estate has been featured on CNBC's *Secret Lives of the Super Rich* and sits on 18-plus acres of prime Buckhead/Sandy Springs property laced with lovely chestnut oak trees. It is also guarded by an elegant gated entrance topped by a bronze sculpture of a perched eagle. Inside the fully furnished English manor residence, one will find more than 17,000 square feet of luxe living space rife with ornate artwork and antiques, including statues from the gardens of Versailles and a duo of Waterford crystal chandeliers worth more than \$200,000. Outdoors, the manicured grounds and gardens are punctuated with European statuary, while a saltwater pool and one-bedroom pool house are ideal locales for entertaining and relaxing.

## HOT 'HOOD

Dunwoody is making a strong case for Perimeter living.



*Dunwoody* has emerged as one of Georgia's most expensive housing markets. The community of Dunwoody has been thriving of late, largely due to a convenient lifestyle in the heart of metro Atlanta that draws young singles, established professionals, growing families and empty nesters alike. According to Heather van der Lande Cummings of Van der Lande & Associates at Keller Williams Realty First Atlanta (vanderlandesellsatl.com), the average price in the area is \$459,900—up 7 percent since this same time last year. One of her current offerings in the OTP borough tops that figure: a stately six-bedroom, 6,879-square-foot home at 940 Dunwoody Club Drive that's listed for \$1.595 million, and it is easily accessible to GA 400 and Interstate 285, as well as Perimeter Mall, historic Roswell and Dunwoody Village.

While prices are rising, they don't seem to be impacting marketability, with homes continuing to sell quickly. The average number of days on the market has decreased 33 percent in the past year, and across all price points, homes are selling in about five weeks. "The Dunwoody market offers prime location, as well as an innate charm of a small city within the city," says van der Lande Cummings. "The influx of headquarters to the Sandy Springs and Dunwoody areas is having a huge impact on the market, with increased interest and buyers searching in the area."