

## Media Kit

Originally built in 1790 and once placed on the National Historic Registry, Kentucky's **Mallard Hall Estate** has undergone a stunning, four-year renovation which flawlessly blends the charm of yesteryear with the best in contemporary living. Every detail throughout the breathtaking seven-bedroom property has been thoughtfully considered to embrace guests in the ambiance of the past while offering the comfort of state-of-the-art features.



Located five minutes from the world-renowned Valhalla Golf Club outside of Louisville, Mallard Hall is a luxury vacation rental and high-end events venue for private dinners, corporate meetings, receptions, bourbon tastings, and group retreats; as well as photo shoots and film & TV production.

The estate is owned by Annette Vitale of Shelby County, KY — she was also the general contractor for the renovation which began in January 2021 and completed in January 2024. The first guests — a noted country music performer, actress, former NFL player, and

their friends – stayed in Mallard Hall Estate for Kentucky Derby 150 in May 2024.

- Located in Fisherville, which is less than 20 minutes from downtown Louisville and Louisville International Airport, and 40 minutes to Blue Grass Airport in Lexington.
- Square footage 12,000



- Can accommodate 18 guests.
- Bedrooms 8
- Bathrooms 11 (8 full/3 half)
- Working fireplaces 7
- Three kitchens containing top-of-the-line appliances from GE Monogram and Café Series.
- Heated, saltwater pool.
- Twelve-person, saltwater spa
- 2,000 sq. ft. patio with kitchen, dining & seating areas, and fireplace.
- Two-acre, stocked pond with fountain and duck house.
- Brick walkway leading from the estate to pond landing with 700 sq. ft. stone patio.
- Gated, 10-acre estate with landscaping throughout.
- Lower-level speakeasy complete with elevator, kitchen, pizza oven, lounge, and bar.
- Whole house surround sound
- Heated floors
- Steam shower in master suite.



## History

- The original part of the estate is a Federal Style farmhouse that stands as a testament to the rich history of the bluegrass state, with its roots intertwined with the founding settlers of Kentucky, the Civil War and Native American populations.
- Original flooring, brick, and one fireplace remain from the original structure.
- In 1934, records indicate that Lawrence B. Bischof purchased the home and maintained ownership until its eventual nomination and listing on the National Historic Registry in the 1970s where it became known as the Hume-Bischof house.
- In 1947, a noteworthy harness racing track was constructed across

- Shelbyville Road on the property that was once part of Hume-Bischoff estate. Brentlawn race track held its grand opening in 1947.
- In 1980, the Greenberg family purchased the estate. Records indicate they undertook the monumental task of moving the historic home 100 yards back from Shelbyville Road via train tracks. The family then added approximately 7000 sq. ft. to the existing footprint.
- The Greenbergs also built state-of-the-art training centers for their National Champion Saddlebred horses. One of the family's most beloved and notable horses was a 3-gaited Saddlebred mare named New Estate. Under the guidance of World Championship Saddlebred Hall of Fame horse trainer Don Harris, New Estate earned the National Championship title in 1979–1980. Her success became the genesis for the farm name at that time New Estate Farm. The 7 ft. x 7 ft. custom etched-glass windows that flank the stone fireplace in the great room serve as a tribute to this amazing horse.
- The Greenbergs sold the estate in 1997 and, although attempts were made to bring this iconic property back to life, none proved successful. The property fell into a state of disrepair and remained vacant for over 10 years.
- After being purchased in 2020 by Annette Vitale and her family, she led an extensive three-year remodeling project. Annette not only served as the general contractor of the
  - project, she was hands-on throughout and tackled many projects on her own including repairing foundation issues; tiling the private living space bathroom and shower; demo, design and installation of two stone fireplace surrounds; as well sourcing and installing many unique and/or antique architectural accents



- A recognizable attribute of the estate long admired by local residents is a miniature replica of the house that served as a residence for local ducks on the pond.
- Although the original duck house could not be salvaged, a newly constructed replica now sits in the pond, and became the basis for the estate's new name — Mallard Hall.





