

Luxury home to be auctioned

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If you've ever had the desire to get a peek at the inside of a billionaire's estate, or maybe even if you have the bucks to buy one, now is your chance to get a look at, or even take a crack at not just buying but actually stealing a luxury waterfront estate villa for pennies on the dollar.

During a live auction simulcast on the Internet via streaming video, a global audience will have a rare and unique opportunity to witness, or even participate in the bidding and potential purchase of a 12,000-square-foot, five-bedroom, eight-and-a-half-bath, one-of-a-kind custom-designed Mediterranean-style estate home that was originally built for the extended family of renowned British billionaire, Malcolm Healey.

"At one point valued at more than \$7 million," said Les Bryant, broker with Continental Realty Auctions, (www.continentalrealtyauctions.com) the company charged with bringing this property to market, "a home of this magnitude and its incredible but brief history with ownership by not just one, but two of Great Britain's mega-millionaire family's warrants world-wide attention."

The home, "Villa Del Fiume" (which means "River Villa" in Italian), is perched prominently on a gentle slope of nearly 2 acres of manicured grounds with 160 feet of frontage overlooking the widest part of the acclaimed 8-mile stretch of Loxahatchee River in Jupiter.

This stately home was originally built in 1998 for the British billionaire family of



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Villa Del Fiume has a 125-foot-long dock on the Loxahatchee River

What: Villa Del Fiume live auction

When: 1 p.m., Saturday, April 19

Where: 19681 Loxahatchee River Road, Jupiter

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Malcolm Healey, a kitchen-cabinet manufacturer whose fortune was first made in the United Kingdom in the 1970s, and then again in the United States.

Healey founded Middlefield, Ohio-based Mills Pride that went on to become one of the biggest kitchen manufacturers in the United States.

In 1999 Healey sold Mills-Pride to Masco Corporation of Taylor, Mich., in a multi-billion dollar transaction. A few years later, Malcolm Healey's

son, Richard Healey, the primary resident of Villa Del Fiume, moved into his new \$23 million estate beach home not much farther away from this original home.

A world-class team was assembled to help create and execute the vision of this British billionaire family. First on board, Simmons Building Corp, a multiple award-winning design/build firm with an exclusive reputation of building old-world multi-million-dollar Mediterranean-style estate residences. Next up were the creative services of Boca Raton-based architectural firm, Affiniti Architects.

Prospective buyers and agents can preview the property daily through Friday, April 18 from 1 to 5 p.m., and two hours prior to auction.

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