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Beverly Park, Beverly Hills, Calif.

THE TWIN-GATED COMMUNITY OF BEVERLY PARK IS the ultimate perch for the Hollywood set. Its back gate provides easy access to Mulholland Drive, the road that leads to the studios in Burbank, and within a five-minute drive of the front gate, residents can hash out the details of their next movies over lunch at the Beverly Hills Hotel or shop on Rodeo Drive for outfits to wear to their next movie premieres.

The 250-acre community delivers privacy with two-acre lots, a community park and 100 acres of open space. Estate homes ranging in size from 15,000 to 50,000 square feet often come equipped with a pool, a guesthouse, the occasional golf hole and views of glimmering Los Angeles and the Santa Monica Mountains. Round-the-clock manned guard stations paired with roaming security teams ensure that the only visitors are friends of the residents, which have included Sylvester Stallone, Denzel Washington,

Eddie Murphy and Rod Stewart.

"You get land, luxury living, security and location," says Mauricio Umansky, an agent with Hilton & Hyland. Umansky currently holds the only two available listings: a 3.5-acre vacant lot (\$14.9 million) that comes with permits and plans for a 25,000-square-foot Tuscan-style home designed by architect Richard Landry, and a 20,000-square-foot home (\$25 million) set on 2.5 acres owned by actor Kelsey Grammer.



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Many homes of the tightly guarded Beverly Park in Beverly Hills boast features such as pools, guesthouses and private tennis courts.