



11 St. Charles Street

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Designed for artful living, this handsome red brick townhouse with a verdant back yard could win a prize. Especially for couples and families looking for an aesthetically pleasing home with a deck, yard and gardens, the four-bedroom townhouse at 11 St. Charles Street will have special appeal. This single-family home has many artful touches that enhance everyday living. Its charming original details and contemporary upgrades work together in wondrous ways offering the best of the traditional and new inside and outside.

Located on a quiet cul-de-sac with ample on-street parking, the South End Victorian townhouse has 2,800 square feet of living area with room for everything. Highlights of the home include a front parlor, a formal living room and an open-design gourmet eat-in kitchen with a separate dining room and sliders to a deck. This creative townhouse even has a shop on its garden level, plus flowering fruit trees, a grassy lawn, a tomato garden and a shed. Transplanted suburbanites would quickly feel at home here.

The townhouse is situated in a historic neighborhood of 19th century townhouses within an easy walk to all that the South End and Back Bay have to offer. St. Charles Street is just

off of Chandler Street between Berkeley and Clarendon Streets.

Because it is the last townhouse at the end of a lightly trafficked dead-end street and has a big fenced-in back yard, families with young children will want to see this home. It is comforting to look out of your kitchen windows to see your children playing.

A tour of the home starts at the double wood front doors. This home features elegant design work on the entry doors and their surrounding ornate doorframe. The entrance hall of the home is warm and welcoming with rich mahogany wainscoting, an artfully carved newel post on its original stairway and lush green carpeting.

To the right of this second-floor entrance is an elongated oval-shaped, front formal parlor with hardwood flooring, bow windows, a carved white marble fireplace, a high ceiling, a chandelier and crown molding. To the back is the formal living room. It features a hardwood floor, crown molding and two big windows overlooking the deck and garden.

Floor three begins with a study/library with a beamed ceiling, bookshelves and a fireplace. This room could easily be used as a bedroom. Central to this floor's layout is a full bath featuring a slate tiled floor, a tub and shower, a vanity for storage

and two closets. There is a chandelier in the hallway leading to the master bedroom. This room is a Wedgewood blue color and has a large walk-in closet, bow windows and a chandelier.

The fourth floor features a beautiful bedroom overlooking the back gardens. There is a full bathroom with a slate tiled floor, a washer and dryer in

room and open-design gourmet kitchen create a great casual space for family and friends. Chefs here will appreciate the Jenn-Air four-burner gas cooking range, Jenn-Air double ovens, the Whirlpool refrigerator and freezer and other top appliances. The kitchen features granite counter tops and two breakfast bars, plus lots of



a closet and a tub and shower off the hallway. The sunny front-facing bedroom has a closet, a chandelier and a bay window.

The lowest first floor is a great place to socialize. A Mexican terra cotta tiled floor brings a warm color to this garden level where a separate dining

storage. A stylish half bath and handy shop are also on this floor. Sliders from the kitchen open to a spacious deck and a landscaped yard.

This townhouse is exclusively offered at \$1,649,000 by Rob Cohen of Boston Realty Advisors. For a tour, call 962-0142.