

# THE NEWEST PEARL OF PORT ROYAL

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At the southern end of Naples, bound between Naples Bay and the Gulf of Mexico, the highly-exclusive community of Port Royal beckons to an elite few. Originally named for a 17th century port city in Jamaica, notorious for lavish wealth, Port Royal has subsequently and rightfully earned its reputation as one of the most prestigious neighborhoods in the world.



Founded in the late 1940s by John Glenn Sample, Port Royal now features some of the most extravagant and luxurious homes along the Paradise Coast. Street and harbor names pay tribute to 18th century tales of pirates that once used Southwest Florida as a safe haven, while lush landscaping and wide Gulf access canals make Port Royal the ultimate modern-day destination when searching for hidden treasure in Naples.

The newest pearl of Port Royal, located along the renowned Rum Row, is a masterfully created private escape offering over 158 feet of waterfront property and mesmerizing Southwest views that span across an oversized lot plus one-half.

Sophistication and style marry through elite craftsmanship that is evidenced before you even





step inside. A spacious and long brick-paved driveway with inlaid grass and cement detail compels you toward a towering entrance characterized by clean lines, stately palms, and the tranquil sound of trickling water from an exquisite glass tile backdrop.

Brace yourself for a breathtaking entrance enhanced by an oversized foyer with open stairway, which generously gives way to a palatial living room where a volume ceiling, custom starfish chandelier, and striking marble framed linear fireplace present a formal area for savoring enviable details and radiant water views.



Beyond the impressive welcome, a magnificent floor plan unfolds with an abundance of captivating natural light and Southwest water views that mesmerize from nearly every room. Floor-to-ceiling retractable sliding glass doors disappear to reveal a dramatic stage where indoor and outdoor spaces are effortlessly joined and the promise of unparalleled entertaining is unveiled.



Entertaining that originates in the immaculate Chefs kitchen will enjoy a Wolf 6-burner gas range, Sub-Zero gourmet grade refrigerator with four refrigerated drawers, Bosch and Miele appliances, and Taj Mahal granite counters. An expansive walnut-base island bridges the kitchen and family room and becomes the perfect cen-







terpiece for culinary prep or gathering family and friends over hors d'oeuvres.

The call for libations will bring an adoring crowd to a marvelous and separate glass walled bar area that includes a gorgeous wine cellar and richly paneled walnut wood. Ample bar space with seating graciously adjoins to the family room allowing for unobstructed views and effortless engagement with the outdoor space and company.



Guests will inevitably linger over views that prove endless as they cascade beyond an remarkable saltwater infinity edge pool, across Hidden Bay and the sparkling Man-of-War Cove, where brilliant sunsets provide a stunning backdrop night after night.



The expansive outdoor living areas extend along the length of the home protected by retractable screens and punctuated by driftwood ceiling planks along with the warming ambiance of an outdoor linear fireplace. Whether serving a casual afternoon snack or a formal dinner, the fully-equipped outdoor kitchen will also meet every discerning Chef's needs with yet another set of upscale Wolf and Sub-Zero appliances, custom Cypress cabinetry, and an oversized eat-in island.

For the seafaring and water adventurers, a 60-foot floating dock will accommodate all your



maritime toys including a 100-foot vessel and accompanying wide, deep water canals that provide direct access to the Gulf of Mexico.

After a day on the water, retire to a master suite that wraps you in the luxury and spa-like features you'd expect from your life in Port Royal. A freestanding soaking tub takes center stage in front of an expansive walk-in shower with separate his and her entries accented by beautiful marble mosaic tile and sea glass detailing.



Guests will also be hard-pressed to leave after experiencing master-level indulgences in one of four upstairs ensuite guest bedrooms with elevator access and private balconies. For the special overnight visitor requiring the ultimate secluded sanctuary, a separate guest cabana with private entry delivers exceptional appeal with fully-equipped kitchen, living room, dining room, and ensuite bedroom.

This masterfully created treasure in Port Royal, includes over 8,200 square feet of air conditioned living area plus an additional 1,700 square feet of covered outdoor space designed by award-winning architect, Jon Kukuk, developed by Michael Mullen, and built by Dave Alderuccio.

Interiors have been masterfully orchestrated by designer Lisa Kahn, incorporating the perfect balance of organic textures and natural finishes that create a soft yet masculine coastal touch.

Owning this oceanfront paradise also brings access to the acclaimed Port Royal Club, which resides less than one mile away just off the white sandy shore of the Gulf and includes a clubhouse, nine tennis courts, formal and casual dining options, and an Olympic-sized pool. The Port Royal Club was established in 1959 and is primarily reserved for Port Royal property owners.

For more information about Port Royal, this distinguished property, or to schedule a private showing, contact Paul Arpin, William Raveis Real Estate, at 239.877.4450 or [www.ResideNaples.com](http://www.ResideNaples.com).

