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A party house in Seville, Robert Bailey's hot property and two fine estates



PARTY AT THE PALACE

The Spanish welcome of 'Mi casa es su casa' has never been more appropriate than at the antique-filled, 16th-century Casa de Carmona, 30 minutes' drive from Seville, whose owner Felipe invites you to throw a party in his family home. The palace was built just three decades before the Spanish Armada set sail for England and comprises stone arches, flower-filled courtyards and splashing fountains - like a miniature Alhambra. The former stables are now the restaurant, decorated with equine frescos, where Felipe uses market-fresh ingredients in his imaginative cuisine. Those wishing to hire the Casa for a house party will have the run of the 30 bedrooms, courtyard, garden, terrace and swimming pool, and dance the Andalusian night away under the stars. Price €3,000 per night (for 30 rooms). For details, call 020 7193 1456 or +34 954 191 000 or visit www.casadecarmona.com

Where there's a Will

The team at Robert Bailey Property was already among the most knowledgeable in London when it came to sourcing premium houses and



apartments, but now it has just signed a star player. Will Hollest, who forged his reputation for management consultancy at Deloitte as well as advising a big-hitting developer, brings a new dimension with his expertise in planning and construction, and will be working closely alongside founder Robert Bailey. 'When one of London's most prestigious buying agencies comes knocking, it is obviously a tremendous opportunity, particularly given Robert's renowned client base,' explains Will. 'Our paths had crossed many times professionally, and I quickly realised that Robert and I have complementary skills that would offer our clients a truly compelling service.'

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SPACE ODYSSEY

For those in search of room to really stretch out in, with enough land to ensure total privacy, Savills has two remarkable properties on the market, both located in some of Britain's most beautiful countryside. The Breach Estate, *above right*, set in its own bluebell woods and farmland on the edge of the peaceful Candover Valley in Hampshire, is well suited for any equestrian enthusiasts. As well as the main house, which has six bedrooms, an indoor swimming pool and an integral flat for staff or guests, there are stables, a grain store

(which could be converted into a riding school) and two cottages.

Over in Shropshire, near Market Drayton, the magnificent Peplow Estate, *above left*, would suit avid horticulturalists and organic food-lovers. It's centred on a Grade II*-listed Georgian hall with eight bedrooms, surrounded by the smooth lawns and arbours of a landscaped garden that lead down to a lake. Of particular note is the walled garden, one of the few curved examples in England, filled with asparagus beds and fruit



trees. It's one of three family estates run by Lord Newborough, whose Rhug Organic Farm sells sustainably produced meat around the world. Extending to 681 acres, the estate includes 10 more residential properties.

For the Breach Estate (price £6 million, or may be available in three lots), contact James Walker at Savills Country Department on 020 7016 3780. For the Peplow Estate (for sale at offers in excess of £12.5 million, or £5 million for Hall and 102 acres), contact Tony Morris-Eyton at Savills Telford (01952 239500)