

HISTORIC FEATURES & ORIGINAL MATERIALS SUMMARY

John Rast House – 236 SE Stephens Street
Roseburg, Oregon

Many historic architectural features and original materials have been carefully preserved throughout the restoration of the John Rast House. Wherever possible, original elements were maintained to retain the home's historic authenticity and character.

Kitchen

The kitchen retains its original tile work and original sink, preserving key historic components of the home's early construction. Cabinetry and finishes were restored while maintaining the character of the original layout.

Fireplaces

Original fireplaces remain as architectural focal points within the home. While not currently rebuilt for operation, they serve as preserved historic features reflecting the home's original design.

Dining Room

Original hardwood flooring remains intact in the dining room, along with original lighting fixtures and preserved architectural details consistent with the period of construction.

Bedrooms

Bedroom finishes remain historically consistent, with original materials preserved wherever possible. Staircases throughout the home are original, with only minimal step replacement required to maintain safety and structural integrity.

Bathroom

The bathroom has been updated for modern use; however, the original tile flooring remains preserved beneath the existing linoleum. Wall tile has been painted but retains the potential to be restored to its original yellow finish through sanding and refinishing.

Exterior Walkways & Stonework

Flagstone used in the front walkway and rear patio areas originated from John Rast's historic brewery located across the street. These materials represent a direct physical connection to the property's early business history and are considered historically significant elements.

Landscape & Historic Vegetation

Several mature fruit and nut trees have existed on the property for decades, including plum, pear, fig, and chestnut trees. These historic plantings contribute to the long-standing agricultural and residential heritage of the site, with additional landscaping improvements added to enhance usability and appearance.