

N.G. HICHBORN HOUSE

10 Church Street

Stockton Springs, Maine

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FIRST FLOOR:

Foyer: Solid maple hardwood floors installed c. 1986. Ceiling medallion is original to house, and lighting fixtures are original and date to when electricity came to Stockton (c. 1911).

Music Room: Original pine floors. When the house was built, the floors were covered with wall-to-wall carpeting (note tack holes along walls). The fireplace is functional, but the chimney is not lined. Ceiling medallion is original and lighting fixture is c. 1911.

Gent's Parlor: Solid maple hardwood floor c. 1940. The fireplace is functional, but the chimney is not lined. The fireplace insert / mantle is not original – it is Eastlake, c. 1900. The built-in cabinet in the Northwest corner is wired for stereo equipment.

Owner's Bedroom: Was the original high parlor. Ceiling medallion is original to house, and lighting fixture is original (c. 1911). The glass shades are "Phoenix". Trim paint, picture rail and wallpaper are original from when house was built c. 1855. The fireplace was bricked up for heating furnace installation in the early 1900s. The chimney has been capped and is no longer useable. Most mantelpieces in the house are faux - marble finished slate.

Library: Ceiling medallion is original to house, and lighting fixture is original (c. 1911). Glass light shades are "Phoenix". The walnut library built-in book cases are original. Trim paint, picture rail and wallpaper are original from when house was built c. 1855. The mantle / fireplace is for show only – it was never meant to function.

Downstairs Bathroom: Built c. 1902, this was the first bathroom in the house. Fixtures are all original. Wallpaper is Bradbury and Bradbury (Benecia, CA).

Dining Room: Solid maple hardwood floor c. 1940. The Jotul No. 8 woodstove was custom installed, and is included in sale of the house. The chimney was tile-lined in 1987 and is cleaned annually. The electric wall heater wiring is disconnected and has not been used for 25 years. Wallpaper is Bradbury and Bradbury custom reproduction Victorian. Doors are mahogany faux-finished.

Sunporch: Is not heated, but is partly insulated. The sunporch was built c. 1950; the original 6 foot wide open porch was enclosed, and is now 12 feet by 33 feet. Built-in book/curio shelves and drop tables were part of the renovation.

Kitchen: When the house was built, the original kitchen was in the basement, located under the dining room. The present kitchen was built in 1988, renovated in 2012 with a new SS refrigerator, new sink, new countertop surfaces, new dishwasher, new paint and paper.

Pantry: Food was brought up from the original kitchen in the basement via the dumbwaiter in the Northeast corner of the pantry. (It was converted into a china closet). Marble slab baking station along North wall.

SECOND FLOOR

Main house bedrooms: All bedrooms have original flooring – some are wide pine, the Southwest bedroom has an original poplar floor. All ceiling light fixtures are original to 1911 (all original knob-and-tube wiring has been deactivated and replaced).

All 2nd Floor bathrooms were built since 1988. The sink in the Southeast (Main House) bedroom was originally an old rosewood pianoforte. The mosaic tile floor in the ell “Country Bedroom” bath is custom; patterned after the “Palm Court” at the Smithsonian Museum in Washington, DC.

Flooring in the small room between the main house and the ell is solid Brazilian cherry hardwood.

2nd Floor Ell Hallway:

The dry sink pump in the hallway was originally connected to the rainwater cistern in the basement (which still exists), and was actually used to fill bedroom pitchers before the days of indoor plumbing.

The “Two Holer” 2nd Floor indoor outhouse at the West end of the ell hallway is original to the house.