

103 Fels Avenue

Built by the owners in 2012, this approximately-3840 square foot Bob Chatham-designed home is a historically accurate Fairhope cottage, but with all of the high-end features of a newer, modern home. The 10-foot ceilings and open floor plan of the kitchen, living, dining and open foyer create a great entertaining space. The living room has custom built-in cabinets and bookcases, as well as a custom craftsman style mantle over the wood burning fireplace, equipped with a gas starter. The home features all custom cabinetry, closets, and molding throughout. Beautiful lighting accents the home with dimmers, spotlights over art spots, and motion sensor lights in the pantry, laundry and primary closet.

The kitchen is a gourmet chef's dream, with a Wolfe gas range and Sub-Zero cabinet-front refrigerator and ice maker, in addition to a second Bosch built-in electric oven, microwave, cabinet front dishwasher and warming drawer. A spacious walk-in pantry with custom shelving and lots of electrical outlets, along with a kitchen counter-top appliance garage provide ample storage, as do the deep soft-close drawers that provide all of the lower cabinet storage. Other extras include an instant hot water dispenser and a pot filler in the vented and lighted hood over the Wolfe range. A lighted glass-front floor-to-ceiling cabinet built into the wall that separates the kitchen and dining room are perfect to showcase the chef's crystal stemware, and the lighted glass-front cabinets that top the upper cabinets provide the perfect spot for prized kitchen pieces or art. A separate desk is tucked in beside the pantry with built in cabinets, and it corners a coffee nook or wine or dry bar. The Crema Marfil natural marble countertops and the subway tile backsplash create a truly beautiful space with extra seating at the mahogany bar that sports the ice maker, a prep counter with a bar sink, and extra pullout cabinet storage, as well as a separate marble topped center island, making this kitchen extremely functional in addition to a true stand-out.

The primary bedroom suite boasts 14' ceilings, a direct vent gas fireplace inset in the wall, a large walk-in closet with built in custom cabinetry, and a stunning primary bath with double vanities, walk in shower with dual showerheads and a two-person soaker tub.

The second level of the main home includes three bedrooms, each with walk-in closets and two full baths with custom cabinetry and marble countertops. Attic storage was finished creating a carpeted and climate-controlled space in two locations off a guest bedroom.

A hallway powder room has a glass bowl sink topping Alabama White marble counter, with a gorgeous mirror and chandelier. A sizeable laundry room features room for a second refrigerator, a built-in countertop over front loading machines, a sink and disposal so that the space can be used for staging for catering events.

In the back outdoor living space, you can enjoy the home's third fireplace: wood burning with a gas starter for the cooler nights and a ceiling fan for the warmer ones, all under a lighted pergola with space for an outdoor kitchen. A front screen porch adds another living outdoor space, perfect for catching beautiful sunsets.

A wonderful new addition to this home is the guest loft over the garage. Beautifully appointed in warm neutrals, guests will enjoy a luxurious spa-like space with a full stainless steel kitchen with quartz counters, custom cabinets with lighted glass front top shelves, durable LVP flooring, a full bath with a walk-in tile and glass shower and smart plugs and thermostat.

Built to the highest code standards in 2012, this home has impact windows and hurricane straps rated to withstand high force wind and is situated at 110 feet above sea level, so flooding is never an issue. Open cell foam insulation between the floors and encasing the exterior as well as a tankless hot water heater makes the home extremely energy efficient. All three air conditioners are still under warranty. Additional features include alarm system, two car garage accessible by a beautifully landscaped alley with additional front parking pad, mature landscape with French drains and a sprinkler system.

From the 100-year-old sinker pine floors and antique doors to the shiplap ceilings, attention to detail was not spared in this beautiful Fairhope cottage. The location is truly prime and walkable to everything you love about Fairhope. Just two blocks from sunsets on the Bay and a few more to downtown restaurants and activities, investing in this home means investing in paradise.