

Hot property

Subterranean spaces

By Caroline Thorpe



◀ **Marlfield House, Clonmel Tipperary, Ireland, €1.35m**

Where In rural Tipperary, close to the county town of Clonmel. It is about 110 miles south-west of Dublin, and just over an hour's drive from Waterford airport.
What An 18th-century Palladian house with 14 bedrooms in 31 acres. The property offers views of the Comeragh and Galtees mountains, fishing on the river Suir and a conservatory designed

by Richard Turner, who built the Palm House at Kew Gardens.
Why A segmental-vaulted tunnel runs from an underground wine cellar in the main house to the stables. This common feature of Irish country houses allowed staff to move between buildings unobserved — and to escape the notoriously inclement weather.
Who Ireland Sotheby's International Realty, sothebysrealty.com, tel: +353 872 512909

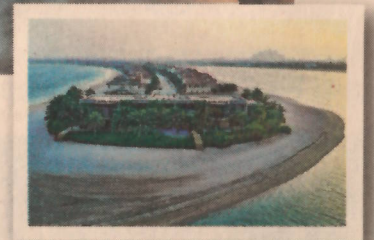
▶ **Ranelagh, Paris, France, €10.4m**

Where In a secluded alleyway in Ranelagh, a neighbourhood in Paris's 16th Arrondissement, about 40 minutes' drive from Charles de Gaulle airport.
What A grand four-storey house with five bedrooms, a garden terrace and a separate one-bedroom guest house. Once the home of the French first world war commander Marshal Foch, the recently renovated property includes a lift and almost 4,000 sq ft of outdoor space.
Why The high-spec basement features a spa with heated pool, steam room and sauna; a bar area with pool table; plus a wine cellar and aquarium.
Who Savills, savills.com, tel: +33 1 45 55 79 10



▲ **Palm Jumeirah, Dubai, United Arab Emirates, \$59.5m**

Where On the beachfront within a gated community on the Palm Jumeirah, Dubai's famous palm-shaped archipelago. It is about 30 minutes' drive to the city's airport.
What A 46,000 sq ft villa surrounded by sea, sand and palm trees. It has 11 bedrooms, indoor and outdoor pools, a home cinema, and accommodation for up to 16 staff.



Why The underground entertainment complex includes a 16-seater cinema, a games area and a private nightclub that can host up to 200 guests.
Who Gulf Sotheby's International Realty, sothebysrealty.com, tel: +971 600 545 451

◀ **43 Clareville Street, South Kensington, London, UK, £4.65m**

Where Close to the boutiques and museums of South Kensington. It is 14 miles from Heathrow airport.
What A recently renovated three-bedroom house with electric sash windows and a retractable glass roof.
Why Wine connoisseurs will enjoy the subterranean temperature-controlled wine tasting room — though negotiating the glass-encased staircase afterwards could prove less relaxing.
Who Strutt & Parker, struttandparker.com, tel: +44 20 3811 2740



◀ **Il Palmetto, Palm Beach, Florida, US, \$137m**

Where On a five-acre plot spanning the barrier island of Palm Beach, with the Atlantic to the east and Lake Worth Lagoon to the



west. Palm Beach international airport is five miles away.
What A 1930s, "Italian-Renaissance style" house with 10 bedrooms, a two-bedroom boathouse and two-bedroom beach house. Flourishes include an imported, 16th-century, carved ceiling in the dining room and a limestone wine cellar with room for 20,000 bottles.
Why A private tunnel leads to the beach house, allowing residents to reach the waterfront without having to cross South Ocean Boulevard, which runs through the grounds.
Who Sotheby's International Realty — Palm Beach Brokerage, sothebyshomes.com, tel: +1 561 659 3555

