



Quay House in Cornwall sits on a prime location on a private peninsula overlooking the beautiful and unspoilt Helford River. £1.35m

accommodation on various levels, including four main reception rooms, a spacious principal bedroom suite, three/four bedrooms, two shower rooms and a self-contained, two-bedroom ground-floor flat. Finally, Mr Husband adds: 'In addition to the wealth of historic features, there's also a poignant bit of graffiti from more recent times on the back of a landing door, where a homesick Canadian soldier, who was billeted here during the Second World War, painted a maple leaf with the word "Home" underneath. We promised the previous owners never to paint over it—and we never have.'

Over in the West Country, Falmouth-based Jonathan Cunliffe (01326 617447) is handling the sale of that rarest of beasts, a waterside house in a prime location on the Helford River, one of Cornwall's most beautiful and unspoilt rivers, historically renowned as a haven for pirates and the inspiration for Daphne du Maurier's novel *Frenchman's Creek*. Today, the Helford

River still offers wonderful boating and a second natural harbour from which to explore the coast, much of it an AONB owned and protected by the National Trust.

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For sale for the first time since 1975 at a guide price of £1.35m, Quay House at Helford was the treasured home of its late owners for more than 40 years. Set within a large private garden with views across to the sailing club and down the Helford

estuary, the house, which dates from the early 1970s, shares a rare and wonderful position with a handful of other houses on an exclusive private peninsula that juts out from Helford village, effectively separating Helford Village Creek from the Trust-owned Penarvon Cove. Helford's famed Shipwrights Arms is an easy stroll from the shoreline below Quay House.

As Mr Cunliffe points out, 'the house, which currently offers a kitchen and open-plan living/dining room, four/five double bedrooms, three shower rooms and an attached garage/workshop, is dated by current standards, but it has been lovingly maintained and, being unlisted, offers huge scope for remodelling, enlargement or, indeed, a complete rebuild, subject to the necessary consents. Unusually for a house in Helford village, Quay House is set in generous gardens of about one-third of an acre, with a variety of mature trees and shrubs providing a high level of privacy and seclusion'. 🏡