Spacious Calverton house has upscale lodge appeal

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This 3-bedroom, 2-bath home at 1812 Middle Road in Calverton is on 6.68 acres. It is on the market for \$979,000 and listed with Kate Carpluk of Town and Country Real Estate in Southold. (Credit: Town and Country Real Estate)

Hidden away in Calverton is a house that is described as "pure swank, a gentleman's upscale lodge home" in the listing. It seems to accurately describe the personality of the property, listed for \$979,000.

The sense of privacy is created by the 6.68-acre lot. Two acres are for house, barn and lawn, and the rest is woods.

The three-bedroom, 2½-bath home was built in 1980 and sprawls over 3,000 square feet. There is a massive stone fireplace in the living room, and the soaring exposed-beam ceiling is made more dramatic by well-placed lighting that runs over the kitchen, living room and dining room.

Homeowner Janet Alshouse and her husband, Bob Davis, bought the place in 1997 from the man who built it, and who happened to be in the concrete business. His background would explain the 8½-inch-thick

poured-concrete exterior walls and the 26-inch steel beam (much like those seen on LIE overpasses) that create the skeleton of the house. Alshouse and Davis added a 50-foot pond under the bridge portion of the driveway and upgraded the 50-by-25-foot saltwater pool. They also renovated the kitchen and bathrooms.

The paddleball court and six-stall horse barn (currently being used as a workshop) were already there.

The finished basement is currently home to a pool table, a Ping-Pong table, a large-screen TV and a console video.

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