

\$245M Bel Air mansion is nation's most expensive listing

Originally listed for \$350M, it's still a potential record-breaker after a price cut

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The limestone clad mansion in [Bel Air](#) owned by the late TV executive Jerry Perenchio just got a price cut.

But at \$245 million, the commanding French neoclassical residence, which measures 25,000 square feet, is still the most expensive listing on the open market in the U.S.

The property, which [came up for sale last year](#) for a staggering \$350 million, has long been the cream of the crop among high-end estates.

Named Chartwell, the residence was built in 1933 by Sumner Spaulding, the architect who also designed the famed [Greenacres Estate](#) in Beverly Hills and the [Catalina Casino](#).

Chartwell was famously used as the lavish mansion inhabited by the Clampett family on *The Beverly Hillbillies* in the 1960s.

The main residence shares the property, which measures more than 10 acres, with elaborate gardens, fountains, expansive lawns, a 75-foot swimming pool, and a five-bedroom guesthouse designed by Wallace Neff.

The LA area holds a number of houses listed for sale at more than \$100 million.



Just last week, the chairman of LA's Olympics committee, sports executive Casey Wasserman, listed his house in Beverly Hills for \$125 million.

A Beverly Hills estate once home to William Randolph Hearst returned to the market earlier this month for \$135 million.

A 105,000-square-foot mega-mansion built on spec, also in Bel Air, has a ridiculous \$500 million price tag, but it's not listed on the open market.

The county record-holder for most expensive sale is held by a Malibu house sold this year for \$110 million.

Chartwell is now for sale on the open market. It's listed with Jeff Hyland, Drew Fenton, and Gary Gold of Hilton and Hyland; Jade Mills, Joyce Rey, and Alexandra Allen of Coldwell Banker Global Luxury; and Drew Gitlin and Susan Gitlin of Berkshire Hathaway Home Services.



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