

WILTON CRESCENT  
BELGRAVIA SW1X



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AN ELEGANT GRADE II LISTED  
HOUSE CLOSE TO HYDE  
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Wilton Crescent forms an embracing and impressive semicircle behind the north side of Belgrave Square, planned after 1821 when Thomas Cundy II took over as Surveyor to the Grosvenor Estate and built up by William Howard Seth-Smith from 1825.

This charming Grade II listed freehold house with mews house has an impressive first floor drawing room directly overlooking the gardens. The house has been in the same family for over 20 years and has been well maintained. The house includes a mews to the rear with garaging for 2 cars. There is a large terrace, a passenger lift and air conditioning in parts of the house.

The house and mews comprises approximately 9,327 sq ft (866 sq m).

#### LOCATION

Wilton Crescent is located in the heart of Belgravia, and lies east of Lowndes Square and to the north west of Belgrave Square. It can be accessed either via Wilton Place or Belgrave Square, of which the former connects it to the main road in Knightsbridge. It is also adjacent to Grosvenor Crescent whilst further to the east lies Buckingham Palace. It is extremely well located for a range of amenities, including the 350 acres (160 hectares) of Hyde Park, one of 8 Royal Parks in the capital. The iconic department stores of Harvey Nichols and Harrods, a wide selection of five star hotels, London's finest restaurants, international music venues, luxury shopping, leading museums, schools and universities are all within in close proximity, thus making Wilton Crescent an exceptional international address. Heathrow airport is approximately 14 miles away.

At the front, the house directly overlooks Wilton Crescent Garden which recently won a bronze medal from the London Gardens Society.

## HISTORICAL NOTE

The prime central London area of Belgravia takes its name from one of the Duke of Westminster's subsidiary titles, Viscount Belgrave. The village of Belgrave, outside the county town of Chester, in Cheshire, is the home of the Grosvenor family's ancestral home, Eaton Hall. Wilton Crescent was named at the time of Thomas Egerton, 2nd Earl of Wilton, second son of Robert Grosvenor, 1st Marquess of Westminster, on whose estate the road was built in 1825.

Belgravia was built almost entirely on the "Five Fields", part of the land acquired by Sir Thomas Grosvenor in 1677 on his marriage to the heiress Mary Davies. The entrepreneurial Grosvenor family, identifying a smart new district between Chelsea and Mayfair, instructed the great neoclassical and neo Gothic style architect James Wyatt RA to prepare an early plan to develop the area. Wyatt had studied in Italy and had soon become the architect of the day.

In the 19th and 20th centuries, Wilton Crescent was home to many prominent British politicians, aristocrats, ambassadors and civil servants. Louis Mountbatten, 1st Earl Mountbatten of Burma (1900–1979), uncle of Prince Philip, Duke of Edinburgh, lived at 2 Wilton Crescent for many years. Today there is a blue plaque on the house marking this. Indeed Viscount Chelsea, subsequently Earl Cadogan, lived at 41 Wilton Crescent from 1842-60, as did the Earl of Kinnoull from 1860-91. Like much of Belgravia, Wilton Crescent is characterised by grand terraces with opulent stone and stucco fronted houses which are built in a crescent shape, many of them with balconies and terraces, particularly on the southern part of the crescent. The houses to the north of the crescent are stone clad and five stories high and were refaced between 1908-12. Most of the houses had originally been built in the stucco style, but such houses became stone clad during this renovation period. Other houses today have black iron balconies.

There are two diplomatic buildings in Wilton Crescent: the High Commission of Singapore at No. 9, and the Embassy of Luxembourg at No. 27 (formerly home to the Luxembourgish government-in-exile).







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#### THE ACCOMMODATION & AMENITIES COMPRISE

*Main House:* Drawing Room | Dining Room | Sitting Room | Billiards Room/Media Room  
7 Bedrooms | 5 Bathrooms | 2 Kitchens | Utility Room | Conservatory | Garden Terrace  
and Patio | Plant Room | Wine Cellar | Passenger Lift | Under pavement vault  
Use of Belgrave Square Gardens

*Mews House:* Reception Room with Dining Area | Office | 2 Kitchens  
3 Bedrooms | 1 Bathroom | Cloakroom | 2 Garages | Utility Room

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Mews Exterior



Mews Kitchen



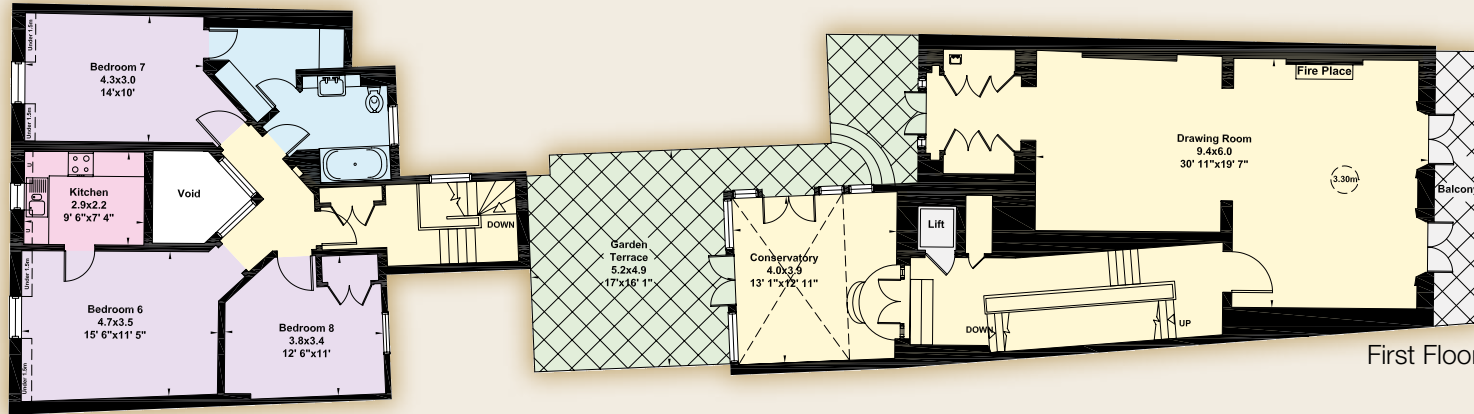
Mews Reception Room



Mews Bathroom



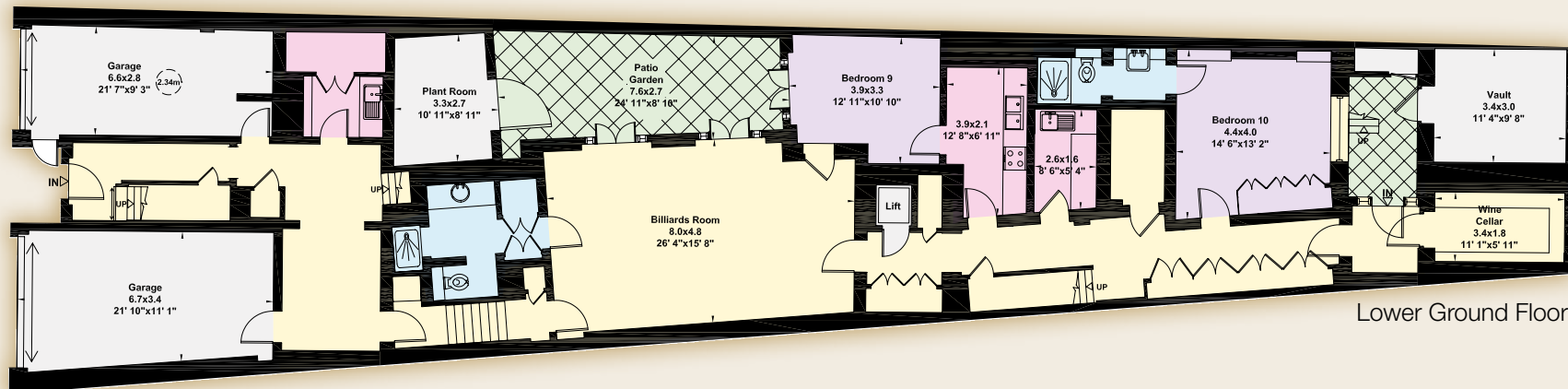
View of Wilton Crescent Garden



First Floor



Ground Floor



Lower Ground Floor



Passenger Lift

Gross internal area (approx.)

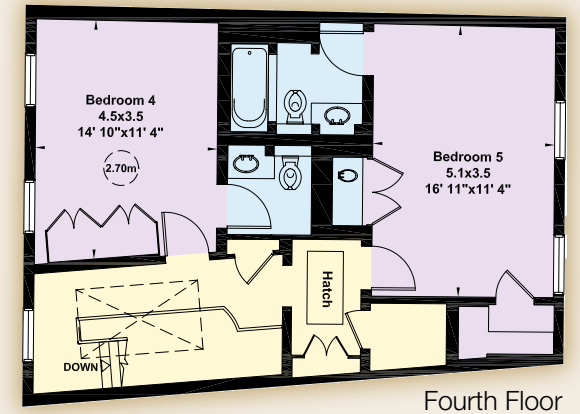
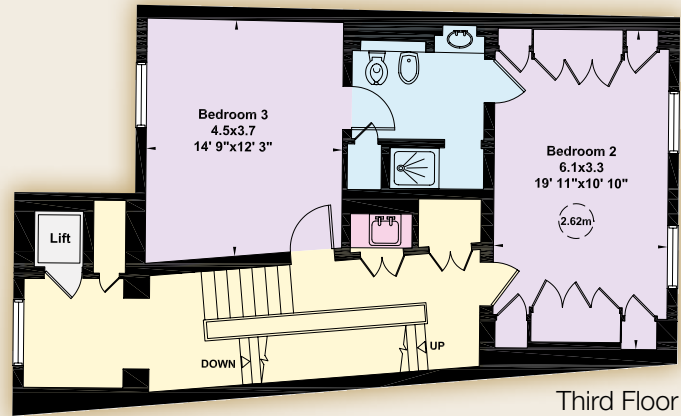
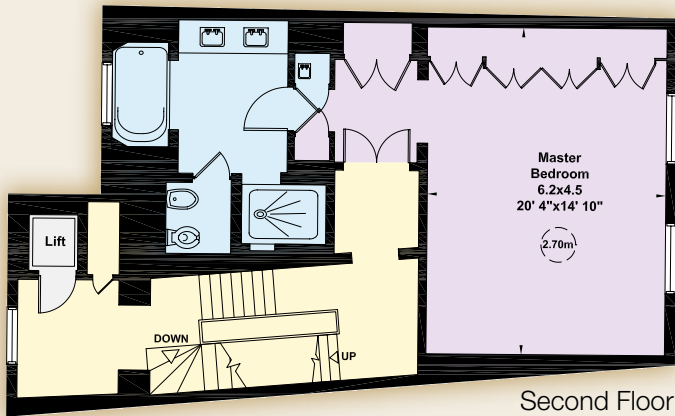
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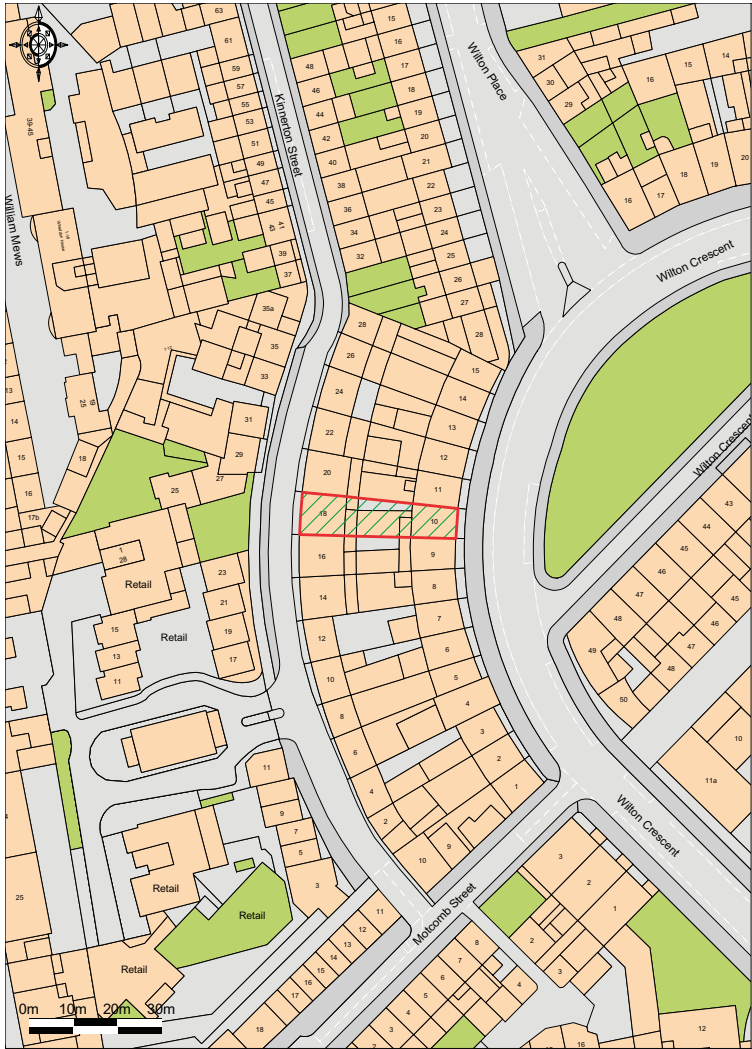
Including under 1.5m, Plant room and vault

845 sq m (9,104 sq ft)

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Not to Scale





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**TERMS**

Tenure: Freehold

Local Authority: City of Westminster

Belgrave Square Gardens: At the discretion of the Grosvenor Estate, residents can apply for use of the extensive Belgrave Square Gardens, for which the annual charge is approximately £550 for a household (including administration fee, deposit and a dog) for 2015.

Price Upon Application

Viewing Strictly by prior appointment

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