

THE MODERN HOUSE



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Stoke Canon, Devon

The Round House is a remarkable four-bedroom house set amongst attractive gardens that was designed by the architects Peter Blundell Jones and Gillian Smith. Completed in 1976, it was built for the parents of Blundell Jones and is now being sold, having never before been on the open market. The house can be found on the edge of the popular Devon village of Stoke Canon, just four miles from the centre of the cathedral city of Exeter.

Blundell Jones, now a noted architectural writer and Professor of Architecture at the University of Sheffield, described the design in an *Architectural Review* article on the house as having “a room in the middle where the family can sit around the fire on a winter’s evening”. He went on to add that “this is the dominant element to which all else relates, wound round this heart of the matter is the circulation... Beyond lie all the other rooms, each of which overlooks the garden”. The house is singled out for a special mention in the celebrated ‘The Buildings of England’ architectural guides by Nikolaus Pevsner.

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Accommodation includes the living room (with built-in sofas) described above, a kitchen, dining room, three bedrooms (one with en suite bathroom), a family bathroom and a further room currently used as a study that could be used as a fourth bedroom. The house is surrounded by gardens and the living room features full-height glass doors that open out onto the green space. There is a double garage and private drive leading up to the property which provides ample space for parking.

Stoke Canon is a historic village just to the north of Exeter which is perhaps best known Stoke Canon Bridge, a long stone bridge (still in use today) that dates back to at least the 13th century. There is a Post Office, pub and village shop in the centre of the village. Nearby Exeter is a vibrant and city with a beautiful centre based around the Cathedral. It has numerous shops, schools and restaurants (including the restaurant of the Michelin-starred Michael Caines). It is also has an outstanding transport network with the M5 and Exeter St. Davids railway station (only ten minutes drive from Stoke Canon) which runs services to London Paddington in just over 2 hours.



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The Modern House is an estate agency that helps people live in more thoughtful and beautiful ways. We believe in design as a powerful force for good. Inspired by the principles of modernism, we represent design-led homes across the UK which celebrate light, space and a truth to materials. Esquire credits The Modern House with “rewriting the rulebook on estate agency” and GQ voted us “one of the best things in the world”.