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Oak trees surround this private residence for sale near DeLand.

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Prairie school style home offers country retreat

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DELAND — This Prairie school style house for sale at 1185 Private Road northwest of DeLand is all about blending with its natural surroundings.

The house, which sits on a nearly 10-acre lot, can serve as a country retreat that's just a few-minutes drive to downtown DeLand.

"It's a rare find in a hilly location and has great grounds," said Carlos Bravo, the property's listing agent.

Bravo is the founder and CEO of Karlhaus Realty in Port Orange.

Built in 1964, the house features design elements favored by architects from the Prairie School of architecture, such as Frank Lloyd Wright, that thrived in the late 19th and early 20th century.

The house sits on top of a small hill and is built with decks hanging over the hillsides. Its horizontal look includes a low hip roof, wide over-hanging eaves and tall windows aligned to accentuate the house's linear shape.

It offers 2,236 square feet of living space including three bedrooms and two full baths. Stone, western cedar and redwood are used throughout the house.

The main building is built around a tall, gas-burning, stone fireplace, a common element in Prairie School-style homes.

The fireplace is surrounded by the living room,

family room, kitchen and library. Floor-to-ceiling glass doors and windows bring together the inside and outside and provide access points to the decks.

The master bedroom suite is also surrounded with floor-to-ceiling windows. The bath has a large his-and-hers vanity, a glass-enclosed shower and a walk-in-closet with dual entrances behind the bed headboard.

The two other bedrooms offer panoramic views. The house includes a room that can be converted into a fourth bedroom or used as an office or hobby room.

The kitchen and bathrooms have recently been renovated and include granite counter tops.

An ornate entry gate and a driveway that winds through the trees lead to a carport.

The grounds feature a natural stream, landscaping, gardens, woods, fishing ponds, a wooden bridge, trails with rest areas and a pond.

The property includes fenced pastures, a barn, a stable and a hen house.

The asking price for the property is \$549,900.

For more information, call Bravo at 386-795-0081.

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The kitchen opens into the dining/living area.



The main house, in background partially hidden by trees, overlooks this pond.



A huge barn is included on the nearly 10-acre property.