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From Tired Tudor to Totally Terrific: Before and After Pics of a Brentwood Mansion Makeover

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If you're a sucker for amazing before-and-after home renovation photos, you'll love the latest multimillion-dollar mansion project in Mandeville Canyon in Los Angeles' posh <u>Brentwood</u> neighborhood.

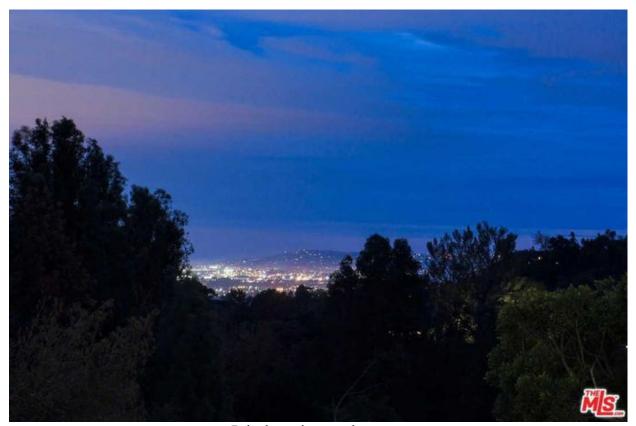
Of course, a lofty neighborhood demands lofty prices. Your average home flip doesn't start out with a \$5.2 million Tudor mansion and result in a reimagined <u>contemporary</u> farmhouse-style estate on the market for \$12.5 million.

But that's how the ANR Development Company rolls. For example, it recently transformed the former home of the late actress **Della Reese** into a record-setting \$19.25 million luxury enclave.

As for this fabulous flip, a sizable portion of the home's original value was in its location.

So what sets this neighborhood apart from other swanky surroundings on L.A.'s West Side? According to **Agustin Rodriguez**, president of ANR, "One of the draws of this peaceful canyon location is its private and secluded ambiance. The privacy this exclusive enclave provides is a top priority for its residents."

The home's situated on a 30,000-square-foot lot at the end of a cul-de-sac and is surrounded by mature foliage. Another main attraction is the killer canyon and city views right out to Catalina Island.



Priceless view realtor.com

Pouring "millions" into the Brentwood face-lift, ANR enlisted architect **Bobby Rees** and interior designer **Kishani Perera** to transform the dark, 6,000-square-foot, 1970s-era English Tudor into a light-filled, ultraluxe home with warm wood accents, clean lines, and neutral colors.



Before: 1970s-era English Tudor ANR Signature Collection



After: Clean lines, neutral palette Marc Angeles

The renovation took the home down to the studs. It now has seven bedrooms, eight bathrooms, a home theater, gym, chef's kitchen, butler's pantry, recreation room, two laundry rooms, and a wine cellar.



Great room with Fleetwood door realtor.om

The developers also added all-new mechanical, electrical, and plumbing systems, along with designer touches throughout, including wide-plank French oak wood flooring, wood-beamed ceilings, custom light fixtures, wrought-iron wine cellar doors, and a standing-seam metal roof—which serves to create the sophisticated farmhouse feel.

The kitchen didn't look *awful* before, but with the addition of dual islands and Miele appliances, including a plumbed coffee system, it's now state of the art.



Before: Dated kitchen ANR Signature Collection



After: Dual islands and a plumbed coffee system Marc Angeles

The same could be said of the master bath—it was in fine shape before. Most buyers would have been completely satisfied with the way it was, but the person who pays \$12.5 million for a home wants a master bathroom to be grand and spacious, with luxuries such as spectacular views.



Before: Master bath was perfectly sufficient. ANR Signature Collection



After: Master bath now has spectacular views. Marc Angeles

The second-level master suite was decent but dated. Now, after an expansion and the addition of a cathedral-like wall of windows, it offers greater views, along with substantial style, space, and drama.



Before: Dark master suite ANR Signature Collection



After: Cathedral-like wall of windows in master suite Marc Angeles

Four sets of floor-to-ceiling Fleetwood doors on the ground floor made a major difference in the living/dining room areas. Here's how the dining room was made to look even more delicious:



Before: Dining room ANR Signature Collection



After: Light pours into the dining room. Marc Angeles

Outside those Fleetwood doors in back, the elimination of dark wooden trellises allows for much nicer (and brighter) indoor-outdoor flow.



Before: Trellis blocks sunlight on the back patio. ANR Signature Collection



After: Back patio is bright and sunny, and has indoor-outdoor flow. Marc Angeles

The pool area also received a makeover, with a new kitchen/barbecue station and spacious decks.



Before: Pool area ANR Signature Collection



After: New decks and outdoor kitchen realtor.com

Even the home theater was updated with contemporary equipment and furnishings. We've come a long way since the 1970s.



Before: Home theater ANR Signature Collection



After: Home theater Marc Angeles

In addition to all these new, fine features we've highlighted in the photos above, there's also an adjacent guesthouse with a separate entrance, and a gated motor court with five-car garage. Guests are welcome!

The property is represented by The Agency's **Santiago Arana**.