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A Spanish-style home in Altadena, a 2022 townhouse in St. Louis and an 1870 Carpenter Gothic cottage on Martha's Vineyard.

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Oak Bluffs, Mass. | \$850,000

A Carpenter Gothic cottage built in 1870, with two bedrooms and one bathroom, in a historic community

This home, known as the Pink House, is one of the most photographed buildings on Martha's Vineyard. It is in Oak Bluffs Campground, a neighborhood of colorful gingerbread houses popular with generations of Black vacationers. The area, a National Historic Landmark that includes a gift shop and a small museum, continues to be maintained by the Martha's Vineyard Camp Meeting Association, the religious group that founded the community in the 19th century.

The house was winterized by the seller, who also added airconditioning, making it viable for year-round living. It is about a half-mile from Oak Bluffs Town Beach and a five-minute drive from the ferry terminal, where boats regularly depart for Hyannis, Woods Hole and Nantucket. Martha's Vineyard Airport is 15 minutes away

minutes away.

Size: 697 square feet

Price per square foot: \$1,220

Indoors: This classic Carpenter Gothic-style house is painted a bright pink, with darker pink and white paint accenting the gingerbread trim surrounding the windows and along the roof and the front porch.

Arched double doors open from the porch directly into the living room, which has white-painted wood ceilings and walls, wide-plank wood floors, large windows and a ceiling fan. Through a wide doorway adorned with white-painted trim is a dining area with more porch-facing doors. (The home's furnishings, including the dining table and chairs, are included in the sale.) The kitchen, at the back of the house, has a white-painted wood ceiling and open shelving, white cabinetry and white appliances, including a washing machine. A full bathroom is also on this level.

Stairs behind the dining area lead up to the two bedrooms on the second floor. The larger has wood floors painted blue and arched glass doors that open to a balcony. The other one, which currently holds a twin bed, has a stained-glass window with a floral motif and pink trim.

Outdoor space: In addition to the covered porch that wraps around the side of the house, the property includes a brick patio with space for entertaining, accessible from the house and the street, through a wooden gate framed with vines. Parking is available to lease in a nearby lot.

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Taxes: \$3,095 (estimated) and a \$126 monthly homeowner

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