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Plush

This wonderful conversion of a Grade II listed 19th century barn was carried out by the conservation architect John Browning of Regeneration Partnership in 2000 for his own family use. It can be found in the picturesque Dorset village of Plush, in a fold of the hills between the historic towns of Dorchester and Sherborne.

Browning has created an engaging and uplifting home currently arranged with accommodation including four bedrooms, two reception rooms, a dining room, conservatory / studio, a separate study and adjoining mezzanine play deck. The property has exceptional level gardens of approximately half an acre, landscaped by Nick William-Ellis and featuring an outdoor pool. There is also an attractive and large zinc-roofed garage / workshop building designed by Browning. Although the house is attached, it still feels wonderfully secluded. For an extensive description of the building and grounds, and the background to this sensitive but stunning design, see the History section.

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Browning is a well-known, experienced architect who specialises in conservation and low-energy design. A former member of the celebrated Architects' Co-Partnership, he has worked with other eminent architects such as Sir Denys Lasdun and Feilden and Mawson as well as founding with his two partners the practice of Plincke, Leaman & Browning in Winchester, later to become Architecture PLB. Retiring partners started a new practice Regeneration Partnership where he has worked on a wide variety of projects including the Aston Martin Owners Club HQ, Museum and Archive in Oxfordshire.

Plush is a small, picturesque Dorset village in the Plush Valley. It is near the larger village of Piddletrenthide and Cerne Abbas (notable for the Cerne Abbas Giant, a chalk figure cut into the hillside) and the historic towns of Dorchester and Sherborne. The former, the county town of Dorset, is famed for being known as 'Casterbridge' in Thomas Hardy's novel 'The Mayor of Casterbridge'. Sherborne is renowned for its Abbey and its outstanding schools. Both Dorchester and Sherborne have direct train service to London, with journey times from Sherborne being approximately 2 hours and 20 minutes.

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