

This 320-Year-Old SC Plantation Just Sold for \$7.9 Million

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A privately-owned, centuries-old rice plantation in Yemassee just sold for \$7.9 million.

The 1,010-acre piece of land, known as the Tomotley

Plantation, sits along the ACE Basin in Beaufort County. It was founded in 1698 and has a moss-draped passageway lined with live oaks planted in 1820.

The plantation was previously listed on Zillow for \$10 million in October 2018, according to previous reporting.

“The entrance and grounds are one of the most coveted in the entire Southeast,” a news release from Sublime Public Relations said.

During the Civil War, the plantation was burned by Gen. William Sherman’s troops as were others in the Lowcountry, according to the South Carolina Plantations website. The website also says the plantation enslaved 138 people in 1860, working on land that produced mainly rice and corn.



The main house on Tomotley Plantation

The land also included a 14-acre lake, which “provides a picturesque backdrop to this quintessential Lowcountry estate,” nearly 250 acres of controlled impoundments for waterfowl hunting, 240 acres of old

growth quail woods, and 770 acres protected by a conservation easement.

About 125 acres are still in rice production.

The previous owners, Billy and Barbara Mixon, purchased Tomotely in 1990 and restored and expanded the home.

The one-story main house is 5,586 square feet with a “large foyer, expansive rooms,” five bedrooms, five-and-a-half baths, and “gorgeous back porch views.”

Other buildings include a five-bedroom-three-bath hunting lodge, carriage house, manager’s house, barns, and stables.

The plantation was sold on April 30. The name of the buyer was not released by the broker, who cited privacy issues.



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A room inside Tomotley Plantation’s main house.



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