



A MODERN COUNTRY CLASSIC

The interior of a large 90s house, originally built for an ex-footballer, has been dramatically remodelled to match the stunning setting of the 46-acre property.

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Richard and Sally-Ann Collins chose their equestrian dream home for its setting and potential. Set in 46 acres, with three stable yards, the house was the perfect place to enjoy a country lifestyle and enlarge their collection of pets. However, the interior of the house did not match the stunning setting. "We thought we would live in it for five years the way it was," says Sally-Ann. Five years stretched to 10 as time flew by for the busy couple and by then the interior was in desperate need of that makeover.

The house was built in the early 1990s and consisted of a central, traditional-looking, three-storey country house in brick with single-storey wings on each side, forming a courtyard to the rear. Internally, the ground floor was arranged into a number of quite modest-sized rooms including a granny flat consisting of a bedroom and en suite bathroom.