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Ashlee Simpson sells home in Beverly Hills Post Office area

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Update: Singer-songwriter-actress Ashlee Simpson has sold a Beverly Hills Post Office-area house she owned before her marriage to Fall Out Boy rocker Pete Wentz for \$3,475,000.

The walled and gated Mediterranean-style compound of more than half an acre has hillside and canyon views. The multilevel home, built in 1992 and centered on a courtyard, includes beamed cathedral ceilings in the living room, an eat-in kitchen, a fitness room, a media room, five bedrooms and 6 1/2 bathrooms in 7,100 square feet.

The courtyard contains a meditation garden with a fountain and fire pit. A two-story guesthouse is adjacent to a swimming pool and spa.

The versatile Simpson, 26, is working on her fourth album and launching a tween fashion line with her sister Jessica Simpson. She starred in the 2004-05 reality TV series "The Ashlee Simpson Show" following a regular stint on "7th Heaven" (2002-04). More recently she appeared on "Melrose Place" (2009-10).

She filed for divorce from bassist and lyricist Wentz in February.

Simpson bought the property in 2007 for \$4.5 million, according to public records, which also show comedian Rita Rudner as among the house's former owners.

Jory Burton of Sotheby's International Realty, Beverly Hills, was the listing agent. **Magda Faerstain** of Rodeo Realty represented the buyer.

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