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A Brief History of an \$85 Million Penthouse in NYC

The 35th-floor penthouse at 15 Central Park West has been making news since last summer. Here's why.



The 35th-floor penthouse at 15 Central Park West, available for rent and for sale, offers unobstructed views of the Hudson River, downtown Manhattan and Central Park.

When it hit the market last summer for \$95 million, the 35th-floor penthouse at 15 Central Park West attracted lots of attention — and the buzz has continued well into 2013. At \$95 million, the combined condo would have been one of the priciest homes in the city. In April, however, steel magnate Leroy Schecter chopped the price to \$85 million (which still gets a priciest-in-the-city award) and, soon after, removed it from the market entirely. (According to the Core listing broker, Schecter had decided to move in.) However, two weeks ago, the unit reappeared on the market as a rental, going for \$125,000 a month. It's also back on sale for \$85 million, with Emily Beare of CORE as the listing agent.

The condo is located in the prestigious building's west tower, a.k.a. the taller tower — which means views galore for a buyer or renter. The listing describes unobstructed views of Central Park, downtown Manhattan and the Hudson, with views available from virtually every room, including all the bedrooms. There are five bedrooms, five full bathrooms, two half-bathrooms and, curiously, two laundry rooms. The listing doesn't divulge much more, but NYmag.com just posted a juicy tour of the interior and we like what we see.

Will the condo find a new owner or will the saga continue through the summer? We're looking forward to the next chapter.