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HD \$10m tag on Kefford's retreat

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Transport magnate Doug Kefford, who sold his bus company to Cabcharge Australia for \$150 million, is selling the palatial rural retreat, Shadow Creek, north of Seymour, Victoria.

The 537 hectare property, with an Arizona-inspired, five-bedroom mansion, could fetch about \$10 million for the businessman, who has been buying and selling property since the sale of his bus company in 2009. Earlier this year Mr Kefford sold his seven-bedroom waterside mansion Bartinon, in Sorrento on Queensland's Gold Coast, to Chinese buyers for \$7.2 million.

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Mr Kefford, a director of the board of the Australian Stockman's Hall of Fame and Outback Heritage Centre, has appointed Inglis Rural Property's Sam Triggs and Jamie Inglis in conjunction with Abercromby's Tim Bennetts and Jock Langley to sell Shadow Creek.

"This would be ideal for an off-farm investor looking for a rural escape or potentially an excellent headquarters for an international bloodstock operation, given the close proximity to Melbourne and other well recognised horse studs," Inglis's Sam Triggs said.

The mansion includes a lap pool, three large living, dining and entertaining areas with lift access to all levels, accompanied by bars, and terraces enjoying 270 degree views.

The home includes bespoke blackwood timber work, a granite kitchen, huge cellar and storeroom.

Located about 90 minutes by road from Melbourne – or quicker by helicopter to the estate's helipad – the property has extensive rehabilitated pasture, a dam with desalination plant, under-cover stockyards and huge machinery shed and modern four-bedroom manager's residence.

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