

Prime real estate: Original Amazon House up for sale

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Amazon distribution centers now are huge, but it all started in the garage of a single-story home near Seattle.

The house where Jeff Bezos founded online shopping mammoth Amazon is up for sale, offering one lucky buyer the chance to own a



piece of internet history.

Bezos and his then-wife MacKenzie Scott were renting the single-story, three-bedroom home near Seattle in the mid-1990s when they began selling books online from the garage.

Amazon lore holds that the garage was outfitted only with a computer, basic office supplies and a desk constructed from a door bought from a home improvement center.

Originally the <u>company</u> shipped only books—Amazon says the first one was titled "Fluid Concepts and Creative Analogies: Computer Models Of The Fundamental Mechanisms Of Thought."

But within a few short years it became the default choice for online shoppers all over the world, pushing its current market capitalization to a staggering \$1.6 trillion.

The 1,540-square-foot (143-square-meter) home, which has an asking price of just under \$2.3 million, was "meticulously rebuilt" in 2001, according to the agent's listing, so not much remains of the Bezos era.

But, <u>photos</u> show, the garage has a recreation of the original "amazon.com" banner that Bezos had back in the day.

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