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# 3 Marquee Developments with Unique Indoor-Outdoor Living

High-End Buildings Launching Sales in Toronto, Singapore and Miami

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Bringing nature into the urban environment has become increasingly important for developers, with access to green space a key element of their new projects. Whether its direct water access or an oasis in the sky, these projects are taking indoor-outdoor living to a new level.

### KING, Toronto



Westbank
Bjarke Ingels is behind the Brutalism-inspired KING in Toronto's West King neighborhood.

The Danish architect looked to Habitat 67 in Montreal, created by architect Moshe Safdie in 1967. Like the historic structure, KING uses stacked, modular units reminiscent of a mountain range and punctuated by terraces and plantings.

"At every shift, an urban garden is created, allowing residents access to fresh air and greenery," Mr. Ingels wrote in a statement.

The modern 460-unit condominium project uses glass brick as a facade, inspired by the Maison de Verre, a Paris building that also used glass blocks, according to Michael Braun of the Vancouver-based developer, Westbank.

A public courtyard will be at the center of the project, a manicured space surrounded by retail for both the public and residents to enjoy. Plans include secret gardens, walking trails and playgrounds.

Sales started in October, with prices ranging from \$650,000 to \$7 million Canadian dollars for a penthouse. The fourth and final offering will begin in April, according to Mr. Braun.

## Sengkang Central, Singapore



CapitaSpring

In a city known for incorporating innovative natural features, green space is a must.

The recently launched mixed-use project in Sengkang Central will incorporate a landscaped park running the length of the 700-unit development, according to CapitaLand, the developer. The green space will allow for relaxation among a variety of indiginous plants and trees, which have been chosen to bring color and fragrance to the space.

In addition, the project borders Compassvale Ancilla Park, offering even more green space, as well as playgrounds, walking trails and fields. Residents can stroll along the garden ramp that connects to the commercial areas, which will include a food court, shopping, a childcare center and other amenities.

Transportation is at the heart of the project, and residents will have direct access to Buangkok Mass Rapid Transit station. A community hub will surround the station, and it will also feature landscaped spaces, alongside public art and shops.

The project is set to open in 2022, a spokesman for the developer said. Prices are not yet available, he added.

### Monaco Yacht Club & Residences, Miami



Courtesy of Monaco Yacht Club & Residences
At Monaco Yacht Club & Residences in Miami Beach, nature comes in the form of
waterfront homes and wrap-around terraces allowing for views of the Atlantic Ocean
and Biscayne Bay.

Architecture firm Arquitectonica and Italian interior designer Piero Lissoni have teamed up for this 39-unit boutique project, which features a 12-slip marina. A yachting concierge will be available for maintenance or sailing and fishing excursions to the Bahamas or the Florida Keys, according to the developer, Optimum Development USA.

Homes will be delivered fully finished with floor-to-ceiling windows to frame the expansive views, custom wood flooring, more than 10-foot tall ceilings, Boffi contemporary Italian kitchens with stone countertops and smart technology from Crestron Home Automation. Terraces provide ample outdoor living space with grilling space and summer kitchens.

Other amenities include a rooftop terrace with views of the Miami skyline, a pool and Jacuzzi and a lounge area with outdoor grill. There's a fitness center overlooking Biscayne Bay, plus a ground-floor resident's lounge with a library and breakfast bar.

Sales launched in February, with units ranging in size from 918 square feet to almost 5,000 square feet. Prices start at \$1.1 million U.S. dollars.



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