

Touch of Europe in townhomes

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The exterior of the Boulevard Townes by Birchwood Properties in Quarry Park (click on the photo for our 13-picture tour).

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Even in a community noted for its enchanting architecture, one project is sure to make passersby slow down and stare.

From the curb, Boulevard Townes by Birchwood Properties looks like it was plucked out of a historic downtown European neighbourhood and brought to Quarry Park.

Its design, accents and colour scheme were inspired by Colonial France and it surely gives its residents something to be proud of when visitors arrive.

Boulevard Townes is now selling in its fourth phase. The townhomes include a 1,732-square-foot plan called The Madison. This model has three bedrooms and two-and-a-half bathrooms, with an optional basement development where an additional bedroom can be added.

The main floor is open and airy and features two sitting areas under a nine-foot ceiling.

One is at the front of the main level, which is lit by large windows and bordered by a curved staircase that leads to the second floor. This area has more than enough space for a large couch, chairs and a coffee table.

On the other end of the floor is a sitting area next to a large fireplace surrounded by tile and flanked by extensive built-in shelves. These shelves work well for displaying art or family photographs.

Like the front sitting area, homeowners won't be scrambling for the light switch on this end, either. It boasts an even larger window that brings in plenty of sunshine.

The central piece to the main floor is a galley-style kitchen, featuring an expansive island, with a sink and dishwasher. The island also has an eating bar with seating for two people.

The kitchen has a full-height tile backsplash, stainless steel appliances and pot lights throughout. Across from the kitchen is a dining area with a wall featuring an art niche.

On the second floor, there's a master bedroom on one end of the floor and two secondary bedrooms on the other.

This gives plenty of space for privacy between the parents and their children. The bedrooms are a few steps away from a stylish full bathroom.

Next to the master bedroom is a built-in desk across from a laundry space with a front load washer and dryer.

The master bedroom has a corner, V-shaped walk-in closet with a built-in organizer and a spa-inspired ensuite.

The developed basement can include a rec room, bedroom, bathroom and den. The area is ideal as a private living space for a teenager or an adult child.

WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW

Project: Boulevard Townes.

Model: The Madison is a 1,732-square-foot townhome.

Builder: Birchwood Properties.

Developer: Remington Development Corp.

Area: Quarry Park is a community in southeast Calgary.

Prices: This model starts at \$535,000, including GST.

Directions: The show home is located at 232 Quarry Park Blvd. S.E. To get there, take Glenmore Trail to 18th Street, go right on Quarry Park Boulevard and turn right on Quarry Way.

Hours: 2 to 8 p.m., Mondays through Thursdays, and noon to 5 p.m., weekends and holidays.

Information: Visit birchwoodproperties.ca

QUARRY ROCK SOLID

Quarry Park is a community in southeast Calgary master-planned by Remington Development Corp.

This area features single-family homes by Cardel Homes and multi-family housing by Birchwood Properties and Remington Development Corp.

There are also executive rental suites at a project called The Laurier. Remington has two condo complexes in the community, one called Champagne and the other is The Gates.

Upon build-out, Quarry Park will include 2,200 homes.

For more information, visit quarrypark.ca

IN SHORT

Birchwood Properties is a Calgary-based builder of single-family and multi-family homes.

The company offers single-family homes in the community of Currie Barracks.

It has two multi-family projects in the southeast Calgary subdivision of Quarry Park.

One is called Boulevard Townes —while another, called Bristol, is expected to open in September.

Birchwood is also planning to open a townhome project in Cochrane next month called The Range.

For more information, visit birchwoodproperties.ca

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The fireplace in the great room in the Madison by Birchwood Properties in Quarry Park.

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