NEW-HOME PROJECT PROFILE



This Drive opens up a neighbourhood

Onni pre-sale in North Vancouver a get-in-early invitation to buying public

The Drive in North Vancouver

Location: Marine Drive, North Vancouver

Project size: 4-storey building, 64-residences

Residence size: Studios 430 sq. ft. — 475 sq. ft.; 1 bed, 550 sq. ft.— 690 sq. ft.; 2 bed, 790 sq. ft. — 870 sq. ft.; 2 bed +den, 865 sq. ft.— 890 sq. ft. Prices: From \$259,900

Developer: Onni Group Architect: Taizo Yamamoto Interior design: Onni in-house design Sales centre: 1035 Seymour

Street **Telephone:** 604-687-4353

Hours: noon — 6 p.m., Sat – Thur

Web: liveatthedrive.com; onni.

com Occupancy: January 2012

BY MARY FRANCES HILL

very community has a per-sonality, moulded either by the people who live in it or by the vision of those who build it with bricks and mortar. In the case of The Drive, the newest pre-sale project from the Onni Group, that personality was formed early - on the drafting table. Close to the wooded trails of Bowser Park,

the North Vancouver develop- retail use. ment is informed as much by its geography, as by its place in Onni's collection of urban homes, says Onni sales developer Nick Belmar.

By building in a West Coast lano. Coffee shops, fashion contemporary architectural style, with brick, concrete, glass, and timber beams, and adding 15,000 square feet of retail space on street level, Onni aims to develop an "urban village" on Marine Drive.

"The Drive coincides with the personality of North Vancouver – active and outdoorsy, with an urban mentality," says Belmar.

Bordered by Bridgeman Avenue to the east and 17th Street West to the north, The Drive will be one of the pioneering projects expected to kick-start Onni didn't have to go far to

find a model neighbourhood that would reflect its vision of condominiums and shopping.

All it took was a trip to Kitsiretailers, fitness centres, yoga and sports-equipment shops make West Fourth and West Broadway a desirable area for house and condo-hunters. The streets are busy arteries connecting both sides of the city; yet the neighbourhood is able to maintain a sense of serenity despite the traffic.

Planners saw no reason why The Drive wouldn't be able to achieve that same community feel.

Indoors, The Drive's finishes and layouts are simple. Belmar a neighbourhood in transition. says designers kept options to a urban professionals. It's where "You're going to see a lot of minimum, with finishes in neu-

one- and two-bedroom units will be positioned to look on to a living room and entertainment area. Brushed chrome hardware, electric fireplaces, stainless-steel appliances, deep soaker tubs, stone countertops come standard in each suite.

The building's second and fourth floors will be stepped back, creating spacious balconies and more privacy for homeowners. Residents will share 1,300 square feet of fitness centre and meeting-room space.

More than anything, however, it's the character, inside and out, that brings it into the mix of the family of Onni developments, says Belmar.

Onni's V6A project in the Strathcona-Chinatown district is attracting mostly single a diversity of cultural groups of many income levels come together, transforming the east side community with its own cultural and economic mosaic.

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changes in this area of North Vancouver," says Belmar, referring to the new allowance for high-density residential corridor in the area. The Drive's site has been rezoned from less dense commercial — it housed a Speedy Auto Glass repair centre - to a mix of residential and

tral shades to appeal to a diversity of buyers.

"Historically, we've done a lighter scheme and a darker scheme, and what we did is take that and make a middle ground," says Belmar.

Small studio kitchens will be "L"-shaped, while those in the

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Nick Belmar at The Drive presentation centre with model of development.

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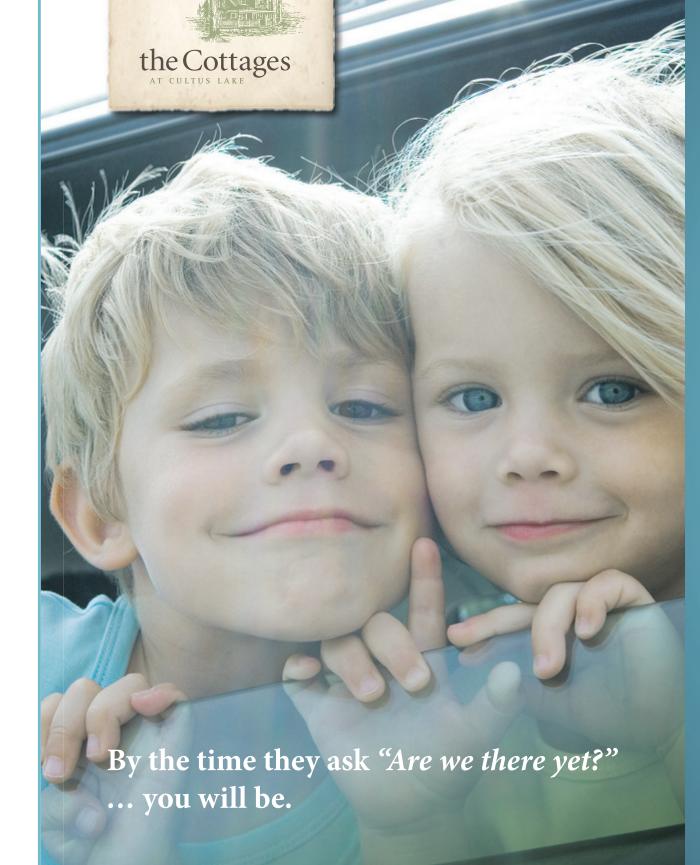
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FROM F12 North Vancouver lifestyle a draw for buyers

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In Yaletown, it's all luxury and space for buyers of high-end suites at The Mark; the notion of the urban village continues with Suter Brook Village in Port Moody, a master-planned community that mixes condominiums and town houses in a village-like atmosphere with fitness centres, juice bars and coffee shops.

The Drive will most likely attract buyers accustomed to the landscape and outdoor lifestyle that come with growing up in lush neighbourhoods of North Vancouver and the west side, Belmar says.

"It's attracting people who grew up in North Vancouver and who want to stay in North Vancouver, and people who grew up in the west side and want that look and feel, but can't afford west side prices now."

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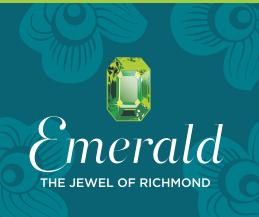
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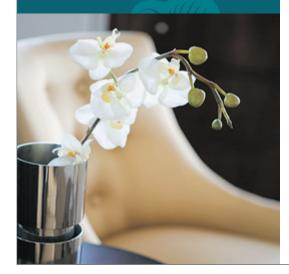
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