Miromar Lakes takes a modern direction with newest models and private residences

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Throughout Miromar Lakes Beach & Golf Club, a flurry of new-home construction is making a bold statement: Modern architecture is here.

Low-pitched rooflines, dramatic overhangs and walls of floating squares and rectangles demonstrate Miromar Lakes' new Modern Architecture Collection,

captured by designer-furnished model homes and private residences rising from neighborhoods nestled along the community's freshwater lake and botanical park.

George Mato, vice president of sales, says the response has been overwhelming.

"Home buyers are coming to Miromar Lakes specifically for the modern architecture," Mr. Mato says. "They hear about our Modern Architecture Collection from friends, they see the renderings online and in print, and then they visit ... This is exactly what they've been looking for."

Miromar Lakes offers modern architecture in a range of home types, from grand estate homes and beach houses to estate homes and luxury waterfront villas.

Just as modern architecture works well for commercial projects (think the Louvre Pyramid in Paris) and homes (Frank Lloyd Wright's storied Fallingwater), it's particularly desirable within the waterfront Riviera-inspired ambience of Miromar Lakes, where crisp white façades are set against a backdrop of sand and water. The style's emphasis on large windows, expanses of glass and blurring the boundaries between inside and out enhances views and the community's coveted alfresco lifestyle.

Along the beachfront in the neighborhood of Sardinia, aptly named for the Italian resort island, Gulfshore Homes and Seagate Development Group have completed designer-furnished beach house models open for viewing. The enclave of only eight three-story homes is nestled along the community's lakefront whitesand beach.

In the Ancona and Trevi neighborhoods, standing-seam rooflines, cantilevered balconies and an emphasis on linear forms create modern architecture's eye-pleasing play of light and shadows in lieu of ornamentation. The modern inspiration is obvious in the designerfurnished model homes and private residences underway in Ancona, a neighborhood of 12 estate homes in a variety of floorplans offered by Gulfshore, Seagate, Arthur Rutenberg Homes/Lyons Housing and Randall Mitchell Custom Homes.

Throughout Trevi, a neighbor-



Gulfshore Homes

hood of 11 luxury villas, the modern architecture of private residences and models has quickly taken shape. The horizontal roof planes of Divco and Arthur Rutenberg's models are completed with linear wood and stone accents etched into their dramatic facades.

"What we're doing in Miromar Lakes is creating a lot of buzz," says Tim Rose, building company president for Arthur Rutenberg. "Modern architecture was exactly the change this area needed. It's going to be a strong emphasis in Florida going forward."

Preferred builders in Trevi include Arthur Rutenberg, Divco, Harbourside Custom Homes and Randall Mitchell. A designer-furnished model by Harbourside is completed and open to view. Models by Arthur Rutenberg and Divco will be finished this summer.

In addition to lake and beach frontage and boat docks, modern homes in Ancona and Trevi also overlook Miromar Lakes' botanical park, a favorite destination for leisurely strolls and learning about the flora from interpretive signs.

The community's 700-acre lake provides opportunities for boating, swimming, sailing, waterskiing, wakeboarding, kayaking and fishing. Amenities also include three restaurants, a wellness spa with a full-service beauty salon, a state-ofthe-art fitness center, 10,000-square-foot zero-edge infinity pool, seven Har-Tru tennis courts, bocce courts, pickleball courts and two marinas.

Miromar Lakes Golf Club offers a private clubhouse, hosts member tournaments and social events and an Arthur Hills Signature Championship golf course.

For more information, visit the Miromar Lakes Sales Gallery at 10160 Miromar Lakes Blvd., call 239-425-2340 or 877-809-9444 or go to www.MiromarLakes.com. ■



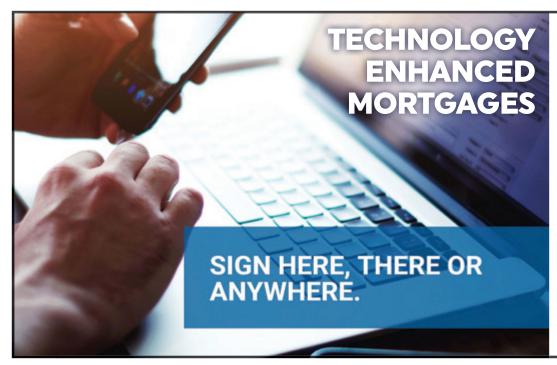
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