



SABLE RESORTS

Defining resort luxury with The Legacy on Mara Lake

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In the process of building over a dozen successful residential developments in Calgary's prime inner-city neighbourhoods such as Mount Royal, Mission, Beltline, Parkhill and Kensington, Sam Boguslavsky, President of Sable Developments discovered something that many of the residents shared in common.

HIS CLIENTS APPRECIATED HIS COMPANY'S attention to quality finishing and outstanding common area development and they were looking for the same approach for their recreational properties. "After talking with many of the clients that we have worked with," states Boguslavsky, "I realized that every year they packed up their families to spend their summer and/or winter vacations either in the Okanagan or around Sicamous near the Shuswap."

So Boguslavsky started researching the area to find a four-season recreational development property situated on a lake but in close proximity to other amenities. "I understood that people were looking for a lifestyle investment. Somewhere they could get away from it all without having to take everything with them every time they left their home."

His concept is becoming reality with the introduction of The Legacy on Mara Lake. A two-phase \$100-million development that offers two

expansive buildings in a seven-storey (Phase 1) and nine-storey (Phase 2) configuration, separated by a shared exterior common area featuring an in-ground pool and hottub and overlooking approximately 400 feet of beach front with a private marina planned. "We separated the buildings to allow a view of the waterfront from the highway," explains Boguslavsky. "And the structures are terraced away from the shoreline so that each floor offers spectacular lakefront views with private patios to enjoy the outdoors beyond the beach area."

Phase 1 is already under construction and will include 65 units that include one-bedroom, two-bedroom, two-bedroom plus den, three-bedroom, two-storey units, and penthouse suites. All units will be 100 per cent ownership. "We purposely called this development The

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Legacy on Mara Lake, because I want it to be a legacy for our owners and their generations," says Boguslavsky. "This is going to be the most exclusive property that Sable has ever done - with all concrete construction, geo-thermal heating and cooling systems, extensive outdoor amenities, high-end finishing touches and a dramatic two-storey lobby for guests to share."

Although each building will have two levels of underground parking, additional recreational storage will be available off-site for the convenience of owners willing to leave their big toys behind like boats, sea-doo's, ski-doo's and golf carts. With over 1,000 kilometres of lakefront between Mara and adjacent Shuswap Lake, there's good reason the Sicamous area is also known as, "The Houseboat Capital of Canada" where approximately 300 of them cruise the uncluttered coastline.

Mara Lake also offers a variety of Rainbow, Dolly Varden, Kokanee and Lake Trout with anglers boasting catches up to 18 pounds!

Visitors who want to avoid the sand and stay out of the water can enjoy the numerous exquisite golf courses within the area. Aply named, Hyde Mountain on Mara Lake golf course is the area's newest and best hidden golf gem. Designed by Les Furber, this 18-hole course offers spectacular waterfront views with dramatic cliffside shots and dockside shuttle service from their marina.

Winter brings more fun in the surrounding snow-laden Monashee Mountains. In the 2006 *SnoRiders West Magazine's* Reader's Choice Awards Sicamous earned three Platinum Designations: favourite overall snowmobiling area in B.C., favourite area for family snowmobiling, and favourite groomed trail riding. Plus, world-class ski

resorts of Sun Peaks, Silver Star, and Big White are only a few hours away.

Sam Boguslavsky knows that he's investing in an amazing destination. "Mara Lake is much more than the beauty it provides," he states. "The administration is so supportive of this development. We are using local businesses for construction whenever possible. And the mayor of Sicamous and the city council have been outstanding in this process." Sicamous Mayor Lorraine March already appreciates the impact to the local economy. "This is a unique development for us and we're anticipating a positive long term effect for our community."

Phase 1 will release in early spring with prices starting in the mid-\$400,000s. R

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