

Getting that hotel feel at Tower Green

Tower Green At West: Touches of luxury added to practical design for everyday living

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There are some perks of hotel stays that everyday home life can't compete with. A fine hotel room offers a sense of privacy, seclusion and anonymity; they're practically always pristine, the finishes and furnishings are often luxurious, and there will always be someone to pick up behind you.

Caroline Boisvert, principal designer at Atmosphere Interiors, kept the hotel experience at the front of her mind when she designed the display suite for Tower Green at West, the final phase of a large development on West 2nd Avenue in Vancouver.

Tower Green's developers, The Executive Group, is known for its hotel development as much for its residential work. Boisvert, who has worked for the company for a few years, says she uses the luxurious influence of a hotel stay in the direction of her design.

"We always try to bring unique hospitality concepts into the design of our homes. The large bathrooms, natural stone finishes, high-end appliances and lighting and plumbing fixtures, are a testament to that," she says.

“Overall, I would say that the goal is to create a space that feels like home, while offering some perks that one would enjoy while staying at a nice hotel.”

Boisvert uses grey, white and natural wood stain as her three dominant shades, and throws in green accents to create “a relaxing and sophisticated space.”

The separate vanity areas in the ensuite bathroom are large and fashioned for a busy couple: his shaving cream will never touch her hairspray. The space is reminiscent, again, of that offered in a fine hotel.

“It’s a large and functional space with lots of storage where a couple could get ready for a day at work at the same time, and in harmony,” says Boisvert.

As much as the suite is influenced by the luxury hotel feel, Boisvert and Executive Group add touches that are practical and designed for everyday living. For instance, she installed a narrow marble backsplash that stretches from the stovetop up to the ceiling behind the fan. She also placed a cabinet in the corner of the kitchen island, facing the open-concept living space, and a small wine cubby hanging above the island.

“The cabinet is a great way of using the corner space, which would have been restricted in its access from the other side of the counter, and the wine storage area adds visual interest and provides accessible storage to an area that would have been difficult to reach.”

Project: Tower Green at West

What: second phase of a three-tower development containing 177 new homes

Where: 195 West 2nd Ave., Vancouver

Residence sizes and prices: ranging from 471 — 1,971 sq. ft; 1-bedrooms from \$309,900 — \$547,900; 2-bedrooms from \$465,900 — \$765,900; (townhomes) \$639,900 — \$689,900; sub-penthouse \$1,049,900; penthouse \$1,679,900 — \$1,899,900

Builder and developer: Executive Group Development

Sales centre: 195 West 2nd Ave.

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