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The Gates perfects the live-work experience

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Love where you live is a common mantra in the housing market, but if you also work near where you live then nothing could really be better. That's exactly the game plan at Quarry Park, and The Gates condo offers a stylishly logical place to call home in this master planned community.

In the seven or so years since Quarry Park began to take shape, this Remington Development project has turned into a premiere residential and commercial hub — a mini-downtown, if you will. But a downtown that's not nearly as busy or crowded and where residents can still be close to nature.

There are dozens of office buildings now operating here, yet with its location by the banks of the Bow River, the community retains a rare natural splendour. The 385-acre neighbourhood has over 80-acres of parkland and miles of pathways that connect to Calgary's regional pathway system

Modern day amenities abound here still. The Quarry Market retail hub has turned into all it was envisioned to be: the convenient social hub of the community. Construction is well underway for the massive new Remington YMCA recreational facility that will add even more active lifestyle opportunities in this riverside neighbourhood, and the Quarry Park Child Development Centre provides welcome relief to young working families.

In the heart of all these terrific amenities sits Remington Development's boutique condominium, The Gates, which now sits at 60 per cent sold.

"People who buy at The Gates do so because they love the Quarry Park neighbourhood with its amazing access to the Bow River and pathway system that's, literally, on the doorstep of The Gates," says Remington Development's Adrienne McGarvey. "We also have some buyers who work in Quarry Park and they enjoy the extremely short commute."

The Gates offers several floor plans from 770-square-foot one-bedroom-plus-den suites from the \$320,000s, to a 1,315-square-foot three-bedroom suites for \$440,000. Two bedrooms range from 1,040 to 1,100 square-feet and start from the \$360,000s.

"People are also buying here as they love the floor plans- all two-bedroom suites come with two bathrooms and are all over 1,000 square-feet, which is quite a luxury compared with a lot of new product out there," McGarvey says. "And they love the three-bedroom 1,315-square-foot unit which is a rare find and is the perfect downsizing unit!"

Complementing the open floor plan is the high quality of the interior design and finishes. The well-appointed kitchens feature standard options such as granite or quartz countertops, professional series stainless steel appliances, an oversized pantry and island. In addition to the traditional rooms, all units also include a flex space where homeowners can set up a computer or select a custom built-in.

All suites feature oversized windows and nine to 11-foot ceilings to provide plenty of natural light and take advantage of the beautiful views of The Gates' immaculate landscaping and the Quarry Park greenbelt. The copper mansard roofing over the entrance foyer creates an exciting architectural element that blends well with the French heritage character of Quarry Park.

No matter the size, all of The Gates' homes have an emphasis on storage and efficient floor plans that work with people's lifestyles. "Even the one-bedroom plus den can comfortably fit a king sized bed," McGarvey says. In addition to the ample storage in each suite, every purchase includes a storage unit and titled underground parking stall. Second stalls can be purchased on a limited basis.

The Gates has a fully furnished show suite that serves to illustrate the kind of luxurious, easy-living this new southeast community offers.

The show suite is on the second floor of The Gates overlooking the grand water feature peninsula at the entrance, the green belt just across the street and the Bow River just beyond that. "It embodies the essence of what it's like to live in Quarry Park, surrounded by all these wonderful amenities and natural beauty."

With only 32 homes, The Gates opted for a low-density, boutique style condo so residents get to experience the relaxing serenity of life in Quarry Park in an affordable multi-family setting.

The Gates is really attractive to first time homebuyers who work in Quarry Park, as well as people who want to free up equity in their estate homes and not compromise style but have plenty of space, McGarvey says.

"Whether you're an empty-nester, downsizer, single, couple or young family buying your first home, you will surely find something to fit your lifestyle in Quarry Park."

Suites for immediate possession are available.

The Gates is Remington's second multi-family development in Quarry Park. It's ultra luxury apartment condo complex Champagne is now 85 per cent sold with possessions for its last building slated this February. The developer is planning on introducing another select 15-townhome development in Quarry Park this year.

FAST FACTS

Community: Quarry Park

Project: The Gates

Developer: Remington Development Corporation

Style: Apartment condos

Size: From 770 sq. ft. one-bedroom plus den to 1,315 sq. ft. three-bedrooms

Price: From the \$320,000s to low \$440,000s

Address: 39 Quarry Gate S.E.

Presentation gallery: 350 Quarry Park Boulevard S.E.

Directions: From north, take Glenmore Trail S.W. to 18 St. East exit, and turn right onto Quarry Park Blvd S.E. From south, take Deerfoot Trail north until exit 241. Turn onto 24 St S.E. and turn left onto 18 St. S.E. Turn left onto Quarry Park Blvd S.E.

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