

NEW NEIGHBOURHOOD



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Class act is sure to impress

Luxury apartment development offers the perfect place for those wanting somewhere special to enjoy life, writes

Sandra Goodwin

Surgeon John Harman believes the centrality which has served his patients for decades will suit luxurious apartments.

He's creating the St Marks community towards the upper end of St Marks Rd which runs from the southern end of Broadway, Newmarket, up to Remuera Rd. Its three luxurious apartment buildings will be shielded from the motorway by a fourth building, housing his clinic.

Buildings The Mac, The Mark and The Grove will be organised around a central plaza. There will be a ground-floor cafe-restaurant and separate deli by Hip Group, well-known in Auckland for eateries such as Rosie Cafe, Kohi Cafe and Ortolana in Britomart. The Blade's professional suites will be nearby.

John says: "We're going to be at the upper end of quality. These apartments are going to be beautiful, the sort of places my friends and I would like to live."

He says St Marks will provide the sort of living being offered in new developments in Sydney and Melbourne.

"This is a large plot of land with three road frontages, which means it gets great light and few neighbours.

"It's such an accessible and central location for all of Auckland which is why this area has been so popular with doctors. And it's an area which quiets right down in evenings and weekends."

Former villa-dweller John is an apartment convert, his family appreciative of abundant light, single-level living and lock-up-and-leave convenience.

Patterson Associates did the double Grammar-zoned development's concept design with project design by Peddle Thorp.

Dominion Constructors will build the apartments predominantly in concrete, steel and glass accented by brass-gold aluminium fins.

Natural Habitats is the landscaper, a focal point being towering green walls in the central plaza.

ST MARKS, 10 ST MARKS RD, REMUERA

ON OFFER: 48 luxurious freehold apartments in three buildings arranged around a central plaza. Most apartments have outdoor rooms and the development includes a ground-floor cafe-restaurant and separate deli by Hip Group and basement parking.

PRICE GUIDE:

A: One-bed, from 67sq m, starting at \$820,000.

B: Two-bed, from 110sq m, starting at \$1.45 million.

C: Three-bed, from 140sq m, starting at \$1.99 million.

D: Four-bed, from 267sq m, starting at \$3.91 million.

BODY CORP: Fees from \$4100 pa.

INSPECT: Display suite at 10 St Marks Rd open 10am-4pm daily.

SCHOOLS: Remuera School, Remuera Intermediate, double Grammar.

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John's no fan of small balconies. Most St Marks' apartments will incorporate flexible outdoor rooms with big glass sliding doors to let in sun and warmth or close off the elements.

St Marks' 48 apartments range from one to four bedrooms, with parking in two basement levels. Residences include two ultra-premium penthouses which will crown The Mark and The Mac.

The Mark's nine northwest-facing apartments will be subtly modern with their city and harbour views and ground-floor cafe-restaurant offering a concierge service to all residents.

The Mac's 16 northeast-facing, full-depth apartments will face green suburban Macmurray Rd. The sheltered central courtyard will form part of the outlook of its bedrooms and it's intended only two owners will occupy each floor.

Views from The Grove's 23 apartments include Mt Hobson or the courtyard and green walls.

Luxurious interiors designed by Amelia



Holmes, who spent years living in New York, have air conditioning, Miele appliances and materials which vary by building to give them their own distinct feel. Flooring is an example, with parquet oak used in The Mac, blonded oak in The Grove and natural stone in The Mark.

St Marks is 75m from Remuera Rackets' fitness complex with pool, squash courts, gym and Pilates classes and tennis courts.

It's expected many of the offices and suites in The Blade, which looks somewhat blade-like when its five storeys are viewed from above, will be aligned to the medical sector. It'll give the St Marks Breast Centre an on-site operating theatre accompanied by state-of-the-art diagnostic equipment.

Construction is scheduled to start mid-February next year and be completed in the last quarter of 2017.

ON THE WEB: 10stmarks.co.nz