

A Zest for Downtown Living

Dolce

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You love the downtown lifestyle: the vibrant, eclectic mix of cultures, art, cuisines, and learning. This is a sophisticated neighbourhood where you can watch the sunrise while rollerblading along the Seawall, explore the diverse masterpieces painted by Monet and Dali after lunch, then take in a live hockey game or Broadway musical in the evening. And whether your favourite fashions are found at Holt Renfrew, The Gap, SportsMart, or a trendy little boutique just round the corner, you're sure to find a dazzling selection of places to explore right outside your door.

But here's the best news for anyone who wants to enjoy "the sweet life" in Vancouver. Dolce, Solterra's highly anticipated second tower at Symphony Place, will be released in only a short time. If you missed out on Vita, this is an opportunity you'll want to grab — a new chance of purchasing your very own home at the gateway to Vancouver's cultural riches. Located opposite The Orpheum — one of the city's most beloved grand ladies of theatre — Dolce will rise a dramatic 32 storeys above Smithe and Richards, its sleek, gleaming architecture blending seamlessly with its sister tower, Vita.

"Response to Vita was astonishing," says sales manager Kim Lloyd. "Symphony Place represents the foundation of Vancouver's revitalized arts and cultural district and is going to bring a real sparkle to the whole neighbourhood. Dolce is the next opportunity to be part of this evolution."

A Sparkling New Outlook

"With Dolce, we are introducing an even wider variety of floor plans including 21 loft-style suites," Kim says. From the floor plans, I get an immediate sense of meticulously designed sleekness — a flow that's somehow totally in keeping with the subtle rhythm of the city. Kim assures me all the finishing details I fell in love with at Vita will also be found at Dolce — details like horizontal grain kitchen cabinetry, luxurious stone countertops, concealed Leibherr refrigerator, and oversized win-

dows to savour the breathtaking cityscape views.

"But we will also be introducing new features at Dolce, so these homes won't simply be duplicates of the ones found at Vita." Anticipating my next question, she smiles broadly and I detect a mischievous twinkle in her eye. "But you're just going to have to come for another visit when we open the new discovery centre to find out what they are."

We chat for a while about the fully equipped gym with adjacent spa and steam rooms, the resident's lounge, the porte-cochere between the two buildings — a distinctive touch of old world grandeur — as well as the way lower level boutique retail will enhance the feeling of strolling along an Italian piazza.

Even the parking has a unique twist. "In addition to the residents only parkade there will be public parking, but we have added a special, unique design element," Kim explains. "We commissioned a 120-foot art glass wall named 'Cadenza.' The rippled glass emulates waves of music, and at night, lights from cars moving through the parkade will make it appear as if the waves are dancing — it's another one of the details that's made Symphony Place so popular with homebuyers."

Don't Miss Out

Dolce offers a total of 198 homes including five live/work townhomes, 21 lofts, plus a broad selection of contemporary suites ranging from studios to two-bedrooms plus den, as well



as an exclusive collection of penthouses featuring approximately 1,800 square feet of luxurious downtown living space.

Don't miss this final opportunity to own part of a Vancouver landmark in the making. The Dolce discovery centre opens soon at 897 Richards Street. Complimentary visitor parking on Richards in the adjacent lot to the north. To ensure you are one of the first to visit, call 604-677-8386 or visit www.liveatdolce.com. **nh**