Tri-Modular Planning and Public Housing in the New Era

First Prize Winner

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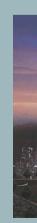
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Quantity Surveying Consultant: Levett & Bailey Chartered Quantity Surveyors

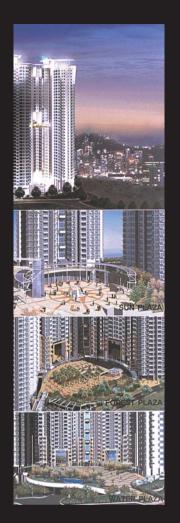
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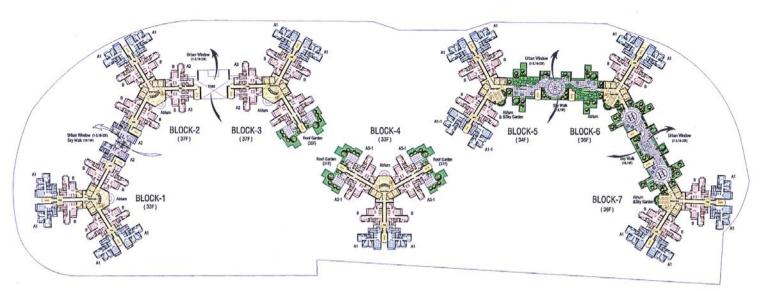
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SITE PLAN





DOMESTIC FLOOR PLAN





Our design approach is to inject more environmental consciousness under the concept of "Human Environment Technology" in housing-estate design. In doing so, we will consider the following aspects to provide better livable housing standards:-

1. Economy and Speed of Construction

We have offered an alternative method of modular construction which allows for a construction led principle of steelwork construction in the complementation and execution of a reinforced concrete structure.

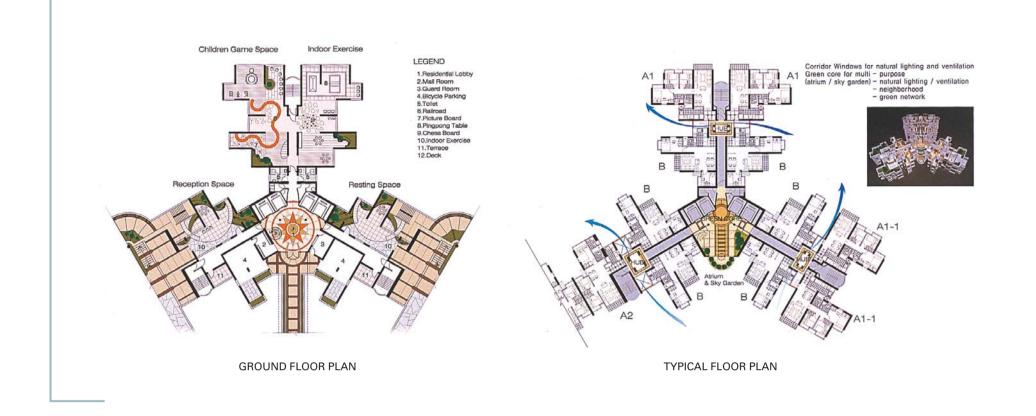
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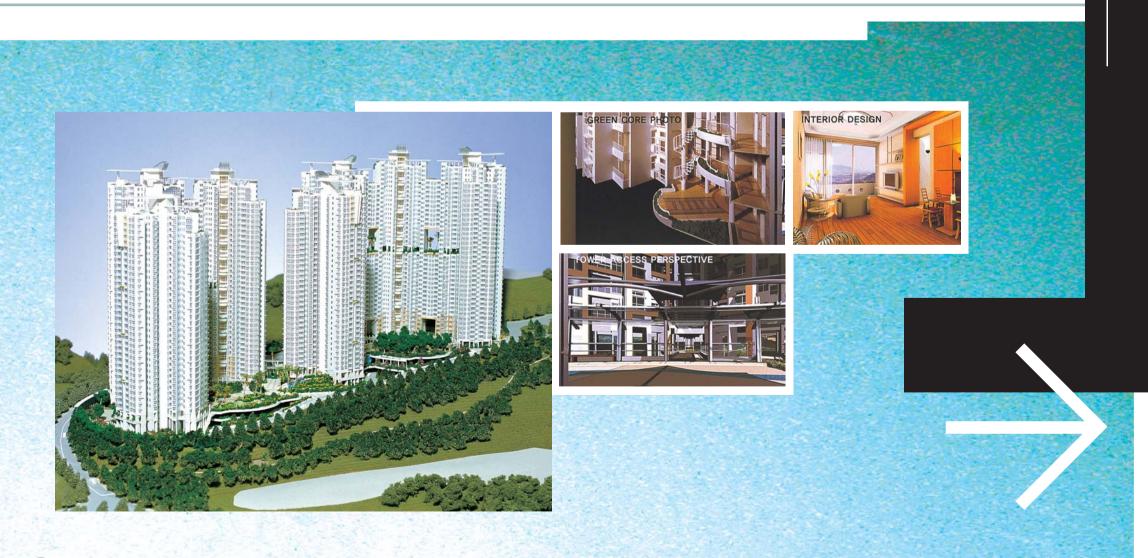
- Full-depth precast slabs (on-site/off-site)
- Pre-installation of conduits
- Early mobilisation with initial erection by mobile cranes
- In-situ aspects being off the critical path
- Improved accuracy of construction
- Longer building life span







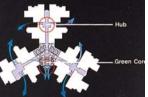




COMMUNITY SPACE / PRIVACY



VENTILATION - Natural Ventilation for H - Air refreshing at atriums



SERVICE ZONE

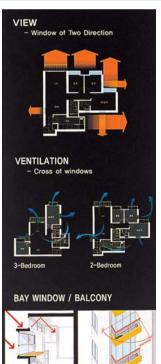




GROUND FLOOR LOBBY

















3. Community and Lifestyles

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In response to current Hong Kong residents' social and cultural needs, we have developed a physical environment to enhance the social relationships of the residents. We have defined and established a clearer hierarchical spatial order of domestic spaces, from public to private, including "theme plazas", "green cores" and "social hubs" to private units and widened internal corridors and lobbies. These spatial layouts encourage neighbourhood social interactions, which support the physical relationship between residents. In addition, good living privacy and social interaction are also improved by the provision of spatial separation between units for acoustic privacy and formation of "tri-modular" layout for maximising visual privacy and view corridors. Together with systems such as Automatic Refuse Collection System, modern I.T. equipment is being integrated into the project's infrastructure, residents are able to enjoy the benefits of enhanced lifestyle and updated values.



Second Prize Winner

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Structural Consultant: Greg Wong & Associates Ltd.

Building Services Consultant: Ove Arup & Partners Hong Kong Ltd.

High-rise Interlocking Community





High-rise, high-density housing is synonymous with the urban landscape in Hong Kong and has come to represent a lifestyle of efficiency and speed. However, at the dawn of the 21st century, aspirations for an enhanced quality of living, lifestyle choices and a concern for the environment have questioned the "value" of conventional tower designs in favour of a new era of more socially and environmentally responsive constructions.

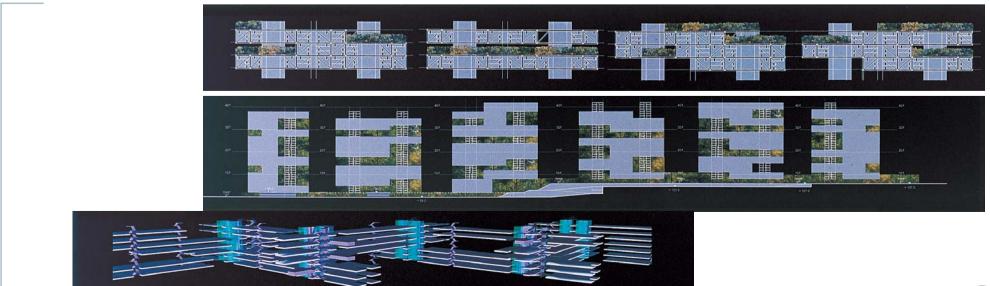
Density can be achieved in many different forms, but need not come at the expense of efficiency. The proposed community-based design is in fact a combination of six towers utilising just 5 cores based on a diagonal-plan grid optimising site potentials for views and open spaces while creating a distinctive matrix design of interlocking residential blocks and community sky gardens.











The "interlocking" nature of the building creates a huge potential for community space in the form of rooftop sky gardens, sky lobbies and corridor atriums. In addition, natural cross ventilation, daylighting and inter-block shading are embraced as passive environmental control measures throughout the design. Similarly, all units are designed with window-openings located to optimise natural cross ventilation and air-movement potentials, with balconies and planters to encourage an "open air" living style.

Construction has been carefully considered with an extensive use of modular, prefabricated and pre-cast elements both to improve quality and reduce waste. Pre-cast facades are designed as fully integrated and pre-finished elements while plug-in style kitchens and bathrooms can be pre-finished to a variety of specifications. In addition, modular planning of units, demountable partition walls and plug-in planters are all intended to create more flexible, user specific and characteristic living spaces.







