



The benefits of LOMBARDY ESTATE & HEALTH SPA

There are certain benefits of estate living that cannot be measured. Peace of mind for one, through the knowledge of a secure estate. A solid investment to name another, underwritten by a reputable developer. But then, there are certain benefits that can, and should be measured. Because not all estates are created equal. And as a potential homeowner, the more benefits you can count, the better the estate.



Lombardy Estate and Health Spa offers all the traditional benefits of an estate, and then some. Starting with the obvious, Lombardy offers a wide range of homes from which to choose, in a variety of sizes. *Lake Lombardy* boutique homes are up to 364m² in size, *Lombardy Fountains* townhouses are up to 285m² in size, and the freestanding *Lombardy Stands* up to 1950m² in size.



What isn't so obvious, and rather special, is the style of the homes. Fashioned after architectural icon Frank Lloyd Wright's classic 'Prairie'-style, the homes are as contemporary as they are spacious. With broad verandas and low overhanging roofs, the rectangular look and feel blends in perfectly with the surrounding landscape. Rooms are open-ended, flowing into each other as well as spreading out onto the outside entertainment areas.

For business couple Pieter and Annelies Grobler who owns the respected *House of Hair* salons in Pretoria, it was the architecture that caught their attention. 'It is absolutely unique,' says Pieter. 'In style, quality, spaciousness and design. Plus the landscaping makes it even more private and spacious.' The Grobler's home and the Estate was featured on Top Billing TV in January 2011.

When it comes to the outdoors, the 100 hectares of carefully designed and maintained landscaping incorporates 15 hectares of wetland and environmental corridors as well as 1,5 hectares of lakes and waterways. The setting is one of tranquillity, with a splendid variety of indigenous trees, shrubs, flowers and natural bushes adorning the 7 hectares of established gardens and parks throughout the estate.

Another major benefit of the estate is the security, featuring the usual CCTV cameras and access control. On top of that, the security also incorporates a covert intruder perimeter detection system, tamper-proof tensile mesh fencing also used to protect important state owned assets (such as King Shaka International

Airport, various 2010 SWC stadia, ports etc) and vigilant guarding personnel.

Even though not quite standard on all estates, these are to be expected – albeit not necessarily to such an extent. What are not to be expected, are Lombardy Estate and Health Spa's 5-Star Hotel and Conference Centre, offering owners daily specials, from fine dining to home deliveries. And with the spa and hotel attracting the developers of the new Lombardy commercial office park, who wanted to build alongside such an attraction, an entirely new dynamic was created, making the Business Park part of a mixed-use node.

But the cherry on top for homeowners must be the coming Health Spa, opening its doors at the end of this year. The prestigious Spas of Distinction group – operating luxury spas such as the *Life Day Spa* (Crystal Towers, Cape Town), the *Renaissance Spa* (Michelangelo Towers, Johannesburg) and the *Octavia's Sensorium Spa* (Emperor's Palace, Johannesburg) – will be bringing their considerable experience to the Spa at Lombardy Estate. With 13 treatment rooms, an Amethyst Rasul Chamber, luxury private suite and onsite restaurant and relaxation areas, the 1000m² Spa at Lombardy Estate is going to be a bonus benefit not to be missed.

With so many benefits in one estate, it is no wonder that some homeowners are buying up to four properties. And with the international backing of *Kharafi Holdings*, the developer behind Ernie Els' first Signature Golf Course in South Africa, the *Oubaai Golf Estate* – the investment value is possibly the biggest benefit of them all.

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