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The swimming pool is just one of the many active group amenities at Manhattan Garden City.



Women – and men of course – can do their yoga amidst nature's bounty at Manhattan Garden City (above). The living and dining areas of the two-bedroom model unit are simply luxurious (below).



Many of today's condominium developments boast of having gardens. The ratio of open space devoted to gardens is always bragged about. But how many projects can claim to have more than three hectares of its total five-hectare area devoted to open space – which literally attracts more and more buyers?

Only one project has that much open space: Manhattan Garden City within the 35-hectare greenery of the Araneta Center. Its fourth-floor podium deck features lush gardens evoking the feel of a nature resort setting. Megaworld Central Properties Inc. President Anthony Charlemagne Yu noted, "This nature-centered amenity area serves as a communal social space for residents to foster community integration. Nowhere else in Metro Manila can you find a five-hectare development in a park-like setting so residents can have a place for relaxation, leisure and recreation, social interaction, and nature contemplation."

The lush garden setting also plays host to Manhattan Garden City's plethora of amenities. Yu shared that while Megaworld was conceptualizing the project, "we tried to avoid the pitfalls of monotony. Most residential develop-

Metro's biggest garden

ments nowadays just offer a pool, playing court and a multi-purpose hall hoping that such amenities are enough for the enjoyment of residents. But we know better. We recognize that people have certain moods, and preferences and not all our social needs are met by engaging in strenuous activities."

Thus, Megaworld divided the amenities into four classes. First, the Active group refers to activities that are fitness-related like exercising, biking, and jogging. Semi-active refers to activities for fun and recreation like playground for the kids, adventure area for teens, barbecue/picnic area for adults. Semi-passive refers to activities like chatting and interacting in the gazebo and sitting areas. Passive group activities refer to least strenuous ones like flower gardening, reading a book in a quiet nook, engaging in contemplation on the reflecting pool or walking barefoot on a reflexology path. Yu added, "We at Megaworld

recognize that people need a variety of activities to make their quality time more productive and fulfilling. This is precisely why we created various groups of amenities that are separate from the standard swimming pool, basketball court, and gym. The various experiences that residents will encounter will make them feel that their time spent in the amenity areas are all worthwhile."

He noted that the large area devoted to open spaces and the variety of activities for all age groups remain high on their buyers' priorities list. "These are just two of the major considerations why our clients purchase units at Manhattan Garden City. By investing in a unit, they get a lot more. Plus, they get to reside within the country's very first lifestyle and leisure center, which we all know as the Araneta Center."

All residents of Manhattan Garden City have one entry point to access this lush garden setting: the Manhattan

Grand Transfer Pavilion. It's their very own hotel-like lobby with elevators that whisk them to the fourth floor garden and into their deluxe residential units. The Transfer Pavilion is also their gateway to the flurry of activities within the Araneta Center and features direct connection to the MRT and LRT lines.

"As the first and only transit-oriented development that features direct connection to not one but two mass transit systems, Manhattan Garden City is ideal for the 21st century lifestyle. Our residents can easily go to their Ortigas and Makati meetings, whereas their children can easily reach the major universities: UP and Ateneo in the east, the University Belt in the west, and La Salle via the train system," Yu emphasized.

To have your family experience the garden lifestyle, the first step is to visit the Manhattan Garden City showroom conveniently located at the 3rd level of



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