

It's a bumper crop of plans at West Point Gardens

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West Point Gardens, named for each home's private gardens, is a new home community with an innovative setting on Elgin's west side.

The community by West Point Builders & Developers Inc. uses "traditional neighborhood design" to create a setting reminiscent of the past.

"Traditional neighborhood design is all about creating a sense of community, such as that found in classic American small towns," said Patrick Curran, president of West Point Builders.

"Homes include large front porches that can accommodate swings and other comfortable furniture, so residents can enjoy the fresh air and greet neighbors. Wide sidewalks enable walkers to walk two and three abreast for easy conversation. And walking and bicycling paths lead to several destinations within the community, including a 12-acre community park, three smaller parks and a 20-acre convenience shopping area."

West Point Gardens features two series of single-family homes. There are 342 homes in the community.

The Heritage Series offers four single-family homes with three bedrooms, 2½ baths, basement, enclosed gardens and two- or three-car attached garages grouped around motor courts.

The Kingston Series offers five single-family floor plans with three to five bedrooms, 2½ baths, basement, gardens and two- or three-car attached garage at the rear of the homes.

Representing each series, seven single-family models, furnished and decorated, are on display at the community located on Nesler Street off Route 20 (Lake Street) in the Randall Road corridor.

Twenty-eight exteriors are available for single-family



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The Princeton model is shown with a waterfall in the garden.

Price range: \$309,990 to \$419,990

Square footage: 1,841 to 3,264

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homes, many with second-floor balconies.

Part of the Heritage Series, the Princeton is priced at \$339,990 and features 2,307 square feet, three bedrooms, 2½ baths, full basement and two-car attached garage.

A covered front porch leads into the home, where the master suite occupies a private spot on the first floor off the foyer. Light wood furnishings include a four-poster bed with an off-white spread, a green skirted table and entertainment center. The bath has two sinks, tub and walk-in shower with clear glass door.

On the opposite side of the foyer, the formal dining room features a light wood dining table and china cabinet. Two sofas face each other in the living room, providing an intimate conversation area.

Casual living spaces include the family room and kitchen shown with a volume ceiling. A fireplace with display shelves on either side highlights the family room, while the wallpapered kitchen has bisque appliances, upgraded maple cabinets and an eating area with glass-topped table for four. Sliding glass doors open to the private garden area with a waterfall to be enjoyed outdoors as well as through a wall of windows from the family room and kitchen.

The upstairs loft combines an entertainment area with a children's play space. A hand-painted mural highlights the secondary bedroom furnished with twin beds. A home office is decorated with a movie theme and offers views of the garden area below. The second level also features a furnished deck.



A private garden with a brick grill/oven and hot tub are part of the Camelot model at West Point Gardens in Elgin.

Other available designs in the Heritage Series include the Amherst, \$309,990 with 1,841 square feet; the Georgetown, \$319,990 with 2,034 square feet; and the Middlebury, \$329,990 with 2,167 square feet.

Part of the Kingston Series, the Templeton, \$419,990, has 3,264 square feet, four bedrooms, 2½ baths, full basement and two-car attached garage.

A covered front porch leads into the two-story foyer open to the living and dining rooms, where teal takes center stage. Dark crown molding throughout the first floor adds interest.

The living room features a brick fireplace with wood mantel and mirrors on either side.

Two cream sofas with gold fringe and a teal brocade love seat furnish the room. Teal and cream place settings top the dining room table.

A window wall separates the dining room from the family room, which is furnished with a

cream sofa topped with teal and chocolate pillows, an entertainment center and two chairs.

An island kitchen features dark granite countertops, stainless steel appliances, walk-in pantry and a sink overlooking the family room.

The eating area with a glass-topped table for six has doors opening to the garden that showcases a built-in chess board. Wicker furniture and an umbrella table furnish the garden deck.

The master bedroom with a tray ceiling and dark wood molding features a teal and chocolate spread, a separate sitting area with two chairs and compartmentalized walk-in closet. The private bath with teal and gold artwork features two sinks, a tub and walk-in shower.

Secondary bedrooms include a girl's room with a soccer theme, boy's room with a music motif and a third room decorated with a mural of the

outdoors.

Other designs in the Kingston Series include the Berkshire, \$369,990 with 2,398 square feet; the Wellington, \$384,990 with 2,668 square feet; the Camelot, \$394,990 with 2,717 square feet; and the Saybrook at \$404,990 with 3,215 square feet.

Each home showcases a garden area. Themes include a fireside garden, spa garden and putting-green garden.

West Point Gardens also features 128 townhouses with four models open for touring.

Priced from \$229,990 to \$284,990, townhouses offer 1,278 to 1,790 square feet with two or three bedrooms, 1½ to 2½ baths, lofts, full basements, brick exteriors, two-car garage and gardens.

To visit, take Route 20 (Lake Street) west to Nesler and south on Nesler to the community entrance. Sales center hours are 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. daily.

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