

## Inside the model apartments of One West End, Riverside Center's first condo

The 42-story Pelli Clarke Pelli-designed building features 246 condos

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On the Upper West Side, a waterfront megaproject is just months away from debuting its first completed building. One West End is set to commence closings sometime this summer, and just last month, developers the Elad Group and Silverstein Properties, <a href="mailto:brought">brought</a> on Douglas Elliman's Fredrik Eklund and John Gomes to handle sales on the building's remaining condos.

As part of that transition, two new model apartments have been created on the upper floors of this 42-story building, and Curbed recently got a chance to tour these swanky apartments that offer picturesque views of the Hudson River and the New York City skyline.

First, let's get down to brass tacks: The condo building was designed by Pelli Clarke Pelli, and César Pelli, the founder of the namesake firm has described the building's facade as "jewel-like, a tapestry of silvery surfaces, opaque and transparent." The interiors were designed by Jeffrey Beers, the go-to interior designer for celebrity chefs, and the man behind projects like the Cove Atlantis in the Bahamas, and the Plaza Food Hall.

The condo building features a total of 246 apartments, and John Gomes, who was accompanying Curbed on the tour, informed us that about 70 percent of apartments have sold. Of the ones still on the market, prices range from \$5.25 million for a three-bedroom, three-bathroom unit spanning 2,462 square feet, and go up to \$11.95 million for a four-bedroom, four-bathroom condo measuring 4,127 square feet, according to StreetEasy.

One of the model units we toured was also a four-bedroom, albeit the fourth bedroom has presently been set up as a study/den, which Gomes explained was what a lot of buyers tend to do with their fourth bedrooms.

The condo's floor-to-ceiling windows offer dramatic views of the Hudson River with Bjarke Ingels' west side tetrahedron on the left. The kitchen, which is just beyond the living room, is the focal point of the condo, Gomes explained.

Beers designed this specific model unit as well, and the details found in the other condos are on full display here. In the kitchen they include marble slab countertops (either done up in Vagli Fine Vein or Calacatta Borghini marble) appliances by Miele, Wolf, Gaggenau, and Sub-Zero. The kitchen's finishing and features, including a neat integrated cutting board (in some condos), were all created by the Italian company, Scavolini. They're also available to prospective buyers in two distinct color palettes: "dark-stained walnut with champagne glass or light-stained walnut with soft white matte glass."

As for the condos overall, they feature wide-plank flooring in either white oak or walnut, entrance doors also made with the latter material that have a custom bronze newspaper box, massive laundry closets for the in-unit washer and dryer, and space for electronically-controlled solar shades.

Future residents of this building will have 35,000 square feet of amenities to choose from, which includes a 12,000-square-foot rooftop garden. Other amenities include a 75-foot indoor swimming pool, a media and billiards room, a game room, a lounge with a gasburning fireplace, and a playroom for kids overlooking a garden terrace.

One West End will be the first of five buildings that make up <u>Riverside Center</u>, the master plan for which was designed by French architect Christian de Portzamparc. The megaproject has undergone changes over the years. Portzamparc's design was commissioned by Extell, and <u>approved by</u> the City Council in 2010. Extell was going to develop all five buildings at the time. That plan however quickly <u>fell apart</u>, and Extell eventually sold the land to other developers.

Silverstein and Elad built out the first condo, <u>One West End</u>, and General Investment and Development Companies (GID) <u>are now behind</u>, three <u>starchitect-designed projects</u> that are under construction at the megaproject site, and will be known as <u>Waterline Square</u>. The fifth tower is a rental building developed by Dermot Company, <u>21 West End</u>, which comes with a total of 616 apartments. Eventually, all five buildings will be connected by a massive park designed by Mathews Nielsen.

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