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### URBAN LIVING, ISLAND STYLE

Durrat Al Bahrain – the island city resort which 60,000 people will soon call home – is the most ambitious project in the history of this ambitious country. The US\$ 6 billion project, jointly owned by the government of Bahrain and Kuwait Finance House – Bahrain, is designed by W.S. Atkins & Partners Overseas, the world-renowned design, engineering and consultancy firm.

Driving south from Bahrain's bustling capital Manama just thirty minutes later the luxurious development emerges from the tranquil desert like an appealing mirage – the tip of the iconic tower which anchors the commercial heart of the project visible for miles around.

Covering 21 square kilometres, the cluster of 11 verdant islands linked to the thriving commercial centre of The Crescent is the largest mixed-use residential, leisure and tourist destination in Bahrain.

Boasting all the facilities of a modern business centre, Durrat Al Bahrain will play a home to blue-chip businesses in innovatively designed glass-front offices looking out onto the azure waters of the Gulf. Over 4,500 people a day will visit this bustling hideaway to enjoy its wealth of retail outlets, entertainment and sports facilities.



## ABOUT BAHRAIN

The idyllic island Kingdom of Bahrain takes its name from an Arabic term meaning 'two seas' - the name originating from its enviable location astride both the glistening turquoise blue waters of the Gulf and currents of sweet water which flow from fresh underground springs.

Located at the heart of one of the world's fastest growing areas, Bahrain's modern transport links and telecommunications infrastructure make it the perfect base from which to conduct business in the region, and the country continues to build on its decades-long reputation as the financial services hub of the Gulf.

The kingdom's world-class education facilities, dining options and the renowned warm welcome of its one

million residents make it extremely popular among families looking to escape from the pressures of everyday living. Bahrain's unique mix of authentic Arab culture, contemporary lifestyle and historic landmarks draw thousands of tourists to the country every year. From simple family excursions to a vibrant nightlife and cultural events to the thrill of Formula 1 racing, Bahrain has much to offer those seeking leisure activities.

Bahrain's continuing political and economic reforms, world class infrastructure, business friendly policies, educated workforce and the cosmopolitan lifestyle offer attractive and sound investment opportunities for investors, both regional and international.

## UNIQUE LIFE, DISTINCTIVE STYLE



### THE ISLANDS

Already taking shape at the untouched southern tip of Bahrain, the islands and atolls of Durrat Al Bahrain offer the chance to own a modern two storey villa set in a spacious garden and located on an untouched white sand beach. Ringed by modern highways, this luxury accommodation offers the chance to get away from it all, without fleeing the comforts of city living.



### THE GOLF COURSE

Tee-off with unparalleled views of the calm waters of the Gulf and lush green landscaping at the challenging 18-hole championship golf course, designed by internationally renowned major winner Ernie Els. Over 350 two-storey villas have the luxury of looking out onto the perfectly maintained fairways and water features.



### THE CRESCENT

The bustling heart of Durrat Al Bahrain, The Crescent features striking office towers, globally famous names in retail and dining, public and private beaches and an enviable selection of luxury apartments. With all the facilities needed to achieve new heights in business, and unwind from a long day, The Crescent promises an energetic atmosphere day and night and boasts the education, health and entertainment facilities of a 21<sup>st</sup> century city.



### THE MARINA

Indulge in a spot of people-watching as luxury yachts from around the world ease into the 400-berth Durrat Marina. Fringed with waterfront restaurants and a wide array of shopping boutiques, the marina is the perfect day-trip for the international traveller, and is sure to prove a welcoming weekend retreat for residents of this beguiling city resort.



### THE HOTEL ISLAND

Experience five-star luxury at any one of the resort's truly luxurious hotels - clustered together on the curving beaches of this secluded island. Sure to become the region's main boutique resort, Hotel Island will be fit to rank with the world's most exclusive holiday destinations.

## A LIFE OF ENDLESS POSSIBILITIES



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## THE DISTRICTS

In Durrat Al Bahrain bustling skyscrapers stand side by side with calm white beaches, and vibrant business and social opportunities mix with relaxed, tranquil living. A business hub, a shopper's paradise, a sporting retreat and a family neighbourhood – Durrat Al Bahrain is all these and more, and whether excitement or seclusion is your main priority, the unique and distinct districts of the development offer you everything you are looking for.

The centrepiece of this sprawling island city is The Crescent – the commercial, retail, entertainment and business heart Durrat Al Bahrain. Modern office blocks throw shade onto the bustling pedestrian shopping piazza below, each offering unobstructed views of the crystal clear waters of the Gulf. Below

the office boardrooms and luxury apartments which line The Crescent will stand the instantly recognisable names of some of the world's top restaurants and retail outlets, clustered together in one of the region's largest malls.

Head out to sea from the centre of this city resort and you'll find yourself on the specially sculpted islands which are among its biggest attractions. Enjoy the sea lapping at your feet and walk the few steps up the beach, through your own lush, manicured garden and into the air conditioned comfort of one of Durrat Al Bahrain's luxury two-storey villas.

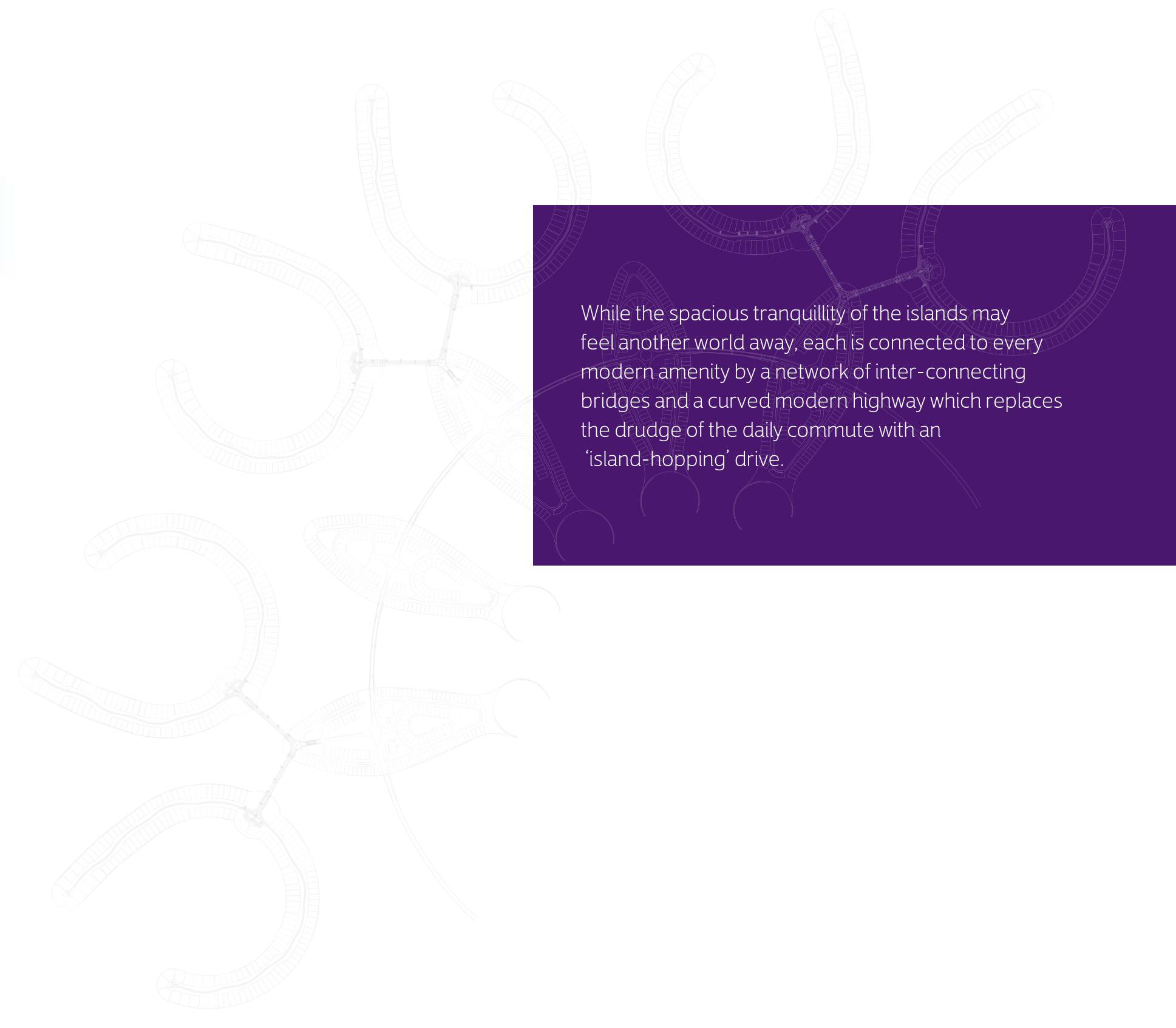
Those who want to do more than simply gaze at the clear seas of this waterfront development can sail into the 400-berth Durrat marina, mooring your boat for

the day to enjoy a relaxing meal at the harbour-side restaurants, or swapping your captain's whites for a wetsuit and taking to the waves to wind-surf or jet-ski.

For those who like to work as hard as they play, Durrat Al Bahrain's modern communications infrastructure and luxury offices make it the perfect place for international giants and boutique regional firms to establish their business.

And for pampering a client for an important deal over the back nine, located between the sea and the romantic desert of southern Bahrain, lies the lush green landscaping of an 18-hole championship course designed by top golfer Ernie Els.





While the spacious tranquillity of the islands may feel another world away, each is connected to every modern amenity by a network of inter-connecting bridges and a curved modern highway which replaces the drudge of the daily commute with an 'island-hopping' drive.

On six curved atolls and five petal-shaped islands, nestle an array of single and two-storey residential villas which offer pure relaxation, white-sand private beaches, mooring for boats, lush gardens and breathtaking sea views.

## THE ISLANDS

## PLACE OF BELONGING, LIFE OF HARMONY

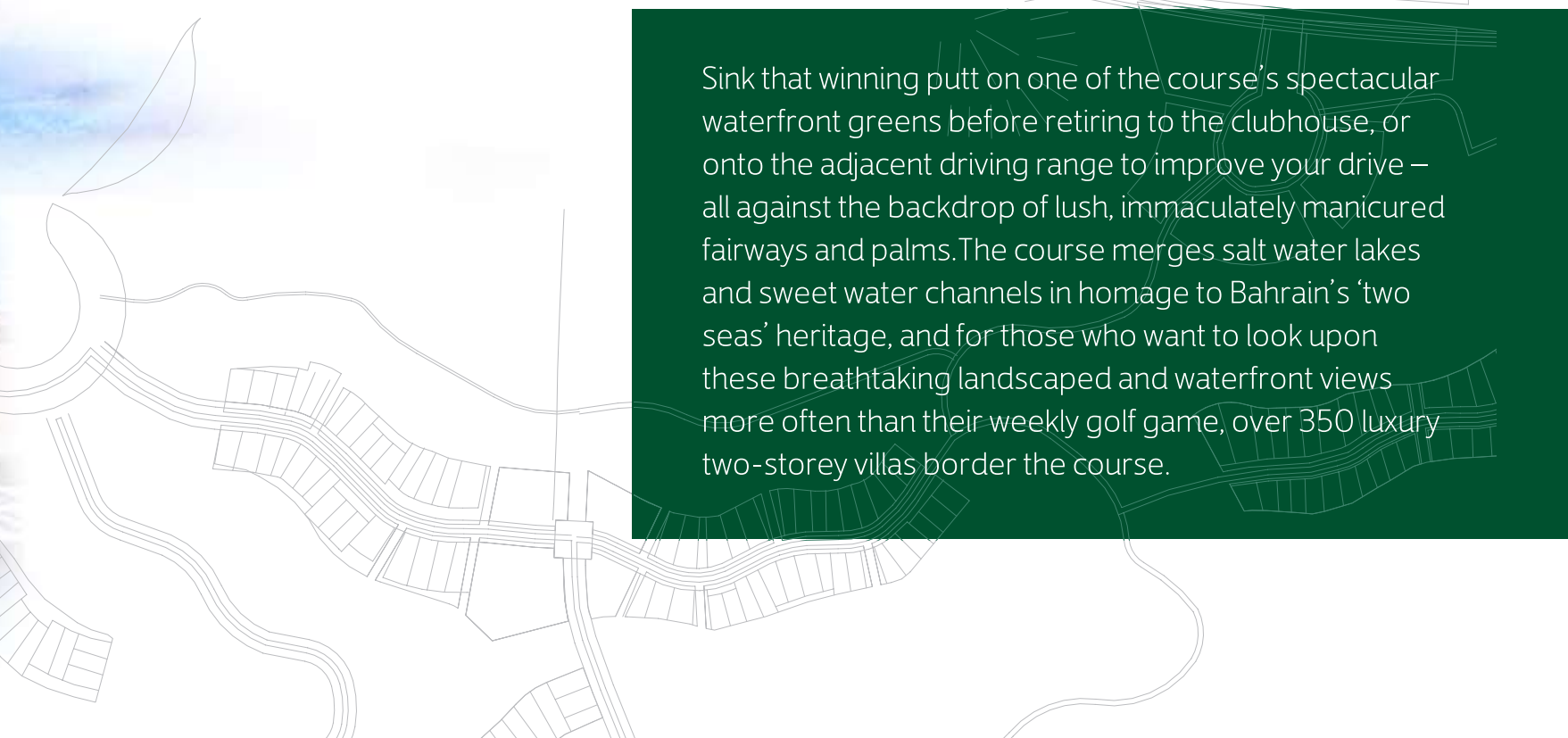


Each residential island will feature a wide range of community facilities making them ideal for families with prayer halls, sports facilities and appealing beach huts sitting side by side with cafes and retail facilities. When not relaxing at home, residents of Durrat Al Bahrain will have an enviable choice of high-end restaurants and cultural facilities just minutes away on The Crescent. Those who are fortunate enough to call the islands home can finish their day's shopping or entertaining in style, relaxing as a water taxi navigates the lush green reeds of the Gulf waters to take you straight to the beach in front of your villa.

Dine al fresco with friends and neighbours at the water's edge as children frolic against the backdrop of the slowly-setting Arabian sun. After guests leave, retire to your elegant villa.

Whether the boutique, luxury properties are perfect for single executives and young couples looking for that perfect first home, or the larger, spacious homes which can accommodate large families - the islands of Durrat Al Bahrain have the right option for you.





Perched on the scenic and verdant coastline, Durrat Al Bahrain's 18-hole championship golf course designed by Ernie Els, provides both a golfing challenge and a relaxing respite from the pressures of daily life.

## THE GOLF COURSE

Sink that winning putt on one of the course's spectacular waterfront greens before retiring to the clubhouse, or onto the adjacent driving range to improve your drive – all against the backdrop of lush, immaculately manicured fairways and palms. The course merges salt water lakes and sweet water channels in homage to Bahrain's 'two seas' heritage, and for those who want to look upon these breathtaking landscaped and waterfront views more often than their weekly golf game, over 350 luxury two-storey villas border the course.

## WARMTH OF BONDING, EXCITEMENT OF GOLFING



South African golf champion, Els has brought the full range of his course designing ability to this bespoke facility – his skills honed on previous courses around the globe which have proved favourites with the weekend amateur and the experienced competitor alike.

The comfortable clubhouse offers a range of dining options in a welcoming family environment. While the surroundings of this amazing course are perfect, there is room for improvement in the golf game of even the most seasoned enthusiast – and the course's staff of professionals will be only too glad to help you make the little changes which can make all the difference in your efforts to make par.

With several of its greens perched right on the turquoise waters which lap the resort and elevated tees offering views miles out to sea, the 18-hole designer Golf Course at Durrat Al Bahrain, offers a truly special sporting challenge. Even if you can't find your best form, it is impossible to feel anything but relaxed on this unique lush landscape designed by Ernie Els.

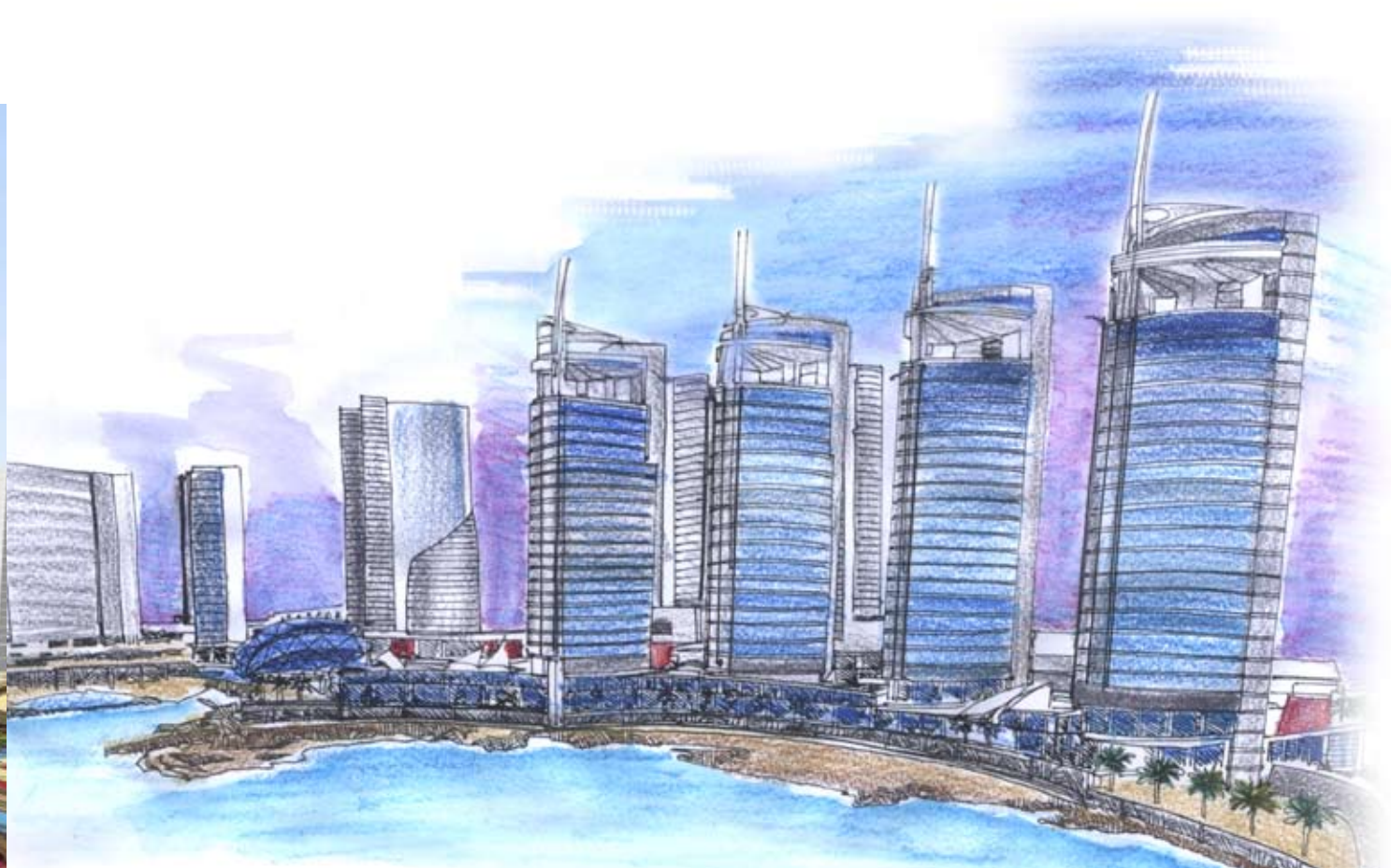
The modern amenities of the golf club are great for relaxing with friends, and the verdant greenery is the perfect backdrop to the luxury villas which line the fairways.



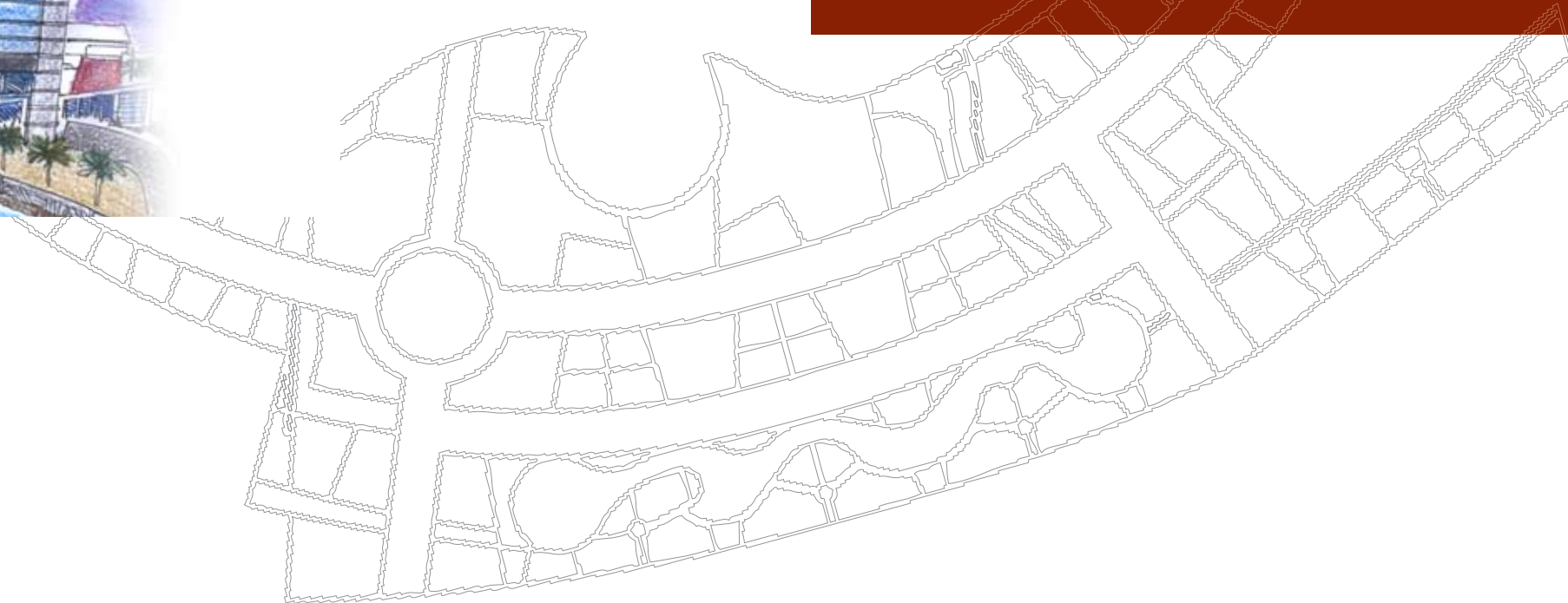


Reaching skywards and featuring innovative touches which showcase the best of modern architecture, commercial office towers housing some of the biggest names in business will dominate the skyline of Durrat Al Bahrain.

## THE CRESCENT - BUSINESS



Bahrain's high-speed telecommunications network means firms with regional headquarters on the island can be instantly connected with offices around the globe for high-powered video-conferencing. The country is linked by causeway to the Eastern Province of Saudi Arabia – the nerve centre of the world's oil industry – with another causeway connecting it to Qatar to be completed within the next five years.



## HUB OF BUSINESS



Less than 45 minutes from Bahrain International Airport, The Crescent's business district is the perfect base for doing business across the Gulf, and the wider world. Bahrain sits at the heart of a region which is enjoying an economic boom unprecedented in its history, just an hour by plane from Dubai. Long-established as the region's most respected and well-regulated financial centre, Bahrain's economy has enjoyed strong growth in recent years and its highly-educated population are perfectly placed to support the continued development of the Kingdom. With superb transport links and hi-tech offices, and the sports and entertaining facilities to provide memorable hospitality for corporate clients, Durrat Al Bahrain means business.



Meetings need never be dull again as you strike that crucial deal in front of the panoramic views of the entire resort visible from a range of modern office towers. Top class communication and transport networks mean you need never again have trouble making the fast decisions required in modern business.

Durrat Al Bahrain's enviable sports and dining facilities ensure the perfect environment to entertain clients.





A major shopping mall boasting some of the most exclusive names in global retail is just one of the attractions expected to attract visitors from across the region to the resort, creating an infectious buzz in its bustling pedestrian piazza.

## THE CRESCENT - LEISURE

Boasting public and private beaches, The Crescent is the social hub of Durrat Al Bahrain and will feature thousands of luxury apartments, world-famous restaurant franchises and all the modern amenities needed to take the stress out of living. This inviting destination is not merely about the relaxing pleasures of today, it has already installed all the facilities needed to nurture the future generations of tomorrow.



## HEART OF LEISURE



The international dining franchises on offer range from quick and easy fast food for the kids, to the formal a la carte menus of some of the world's top restaurants, with dishes designed by globally renowned chefs making The Crescent , a perfect place to impress a client at a business lunch, or celebrate that special occasion with family and friends. While the relaxed seclusion of Durrat Al Bahrain's island villas may make residents feel that they are another world away from the stress of a city, just minutes away on the Crescent sits all the infrastructure needed for a comfortable modern life with everything from florists and dry cleaners to health practitioners. Top-ranked international schools offering the best global qualifications will cater to thousands of children, with sports pitches, community halls and an aqua park making treasured memories of weekends and holidays.

Shop till you drop in the high-end malls full of the best of international retail. Combine a late night shopping trip with a relaxing meal with friends in the finest restaurants and cafes.

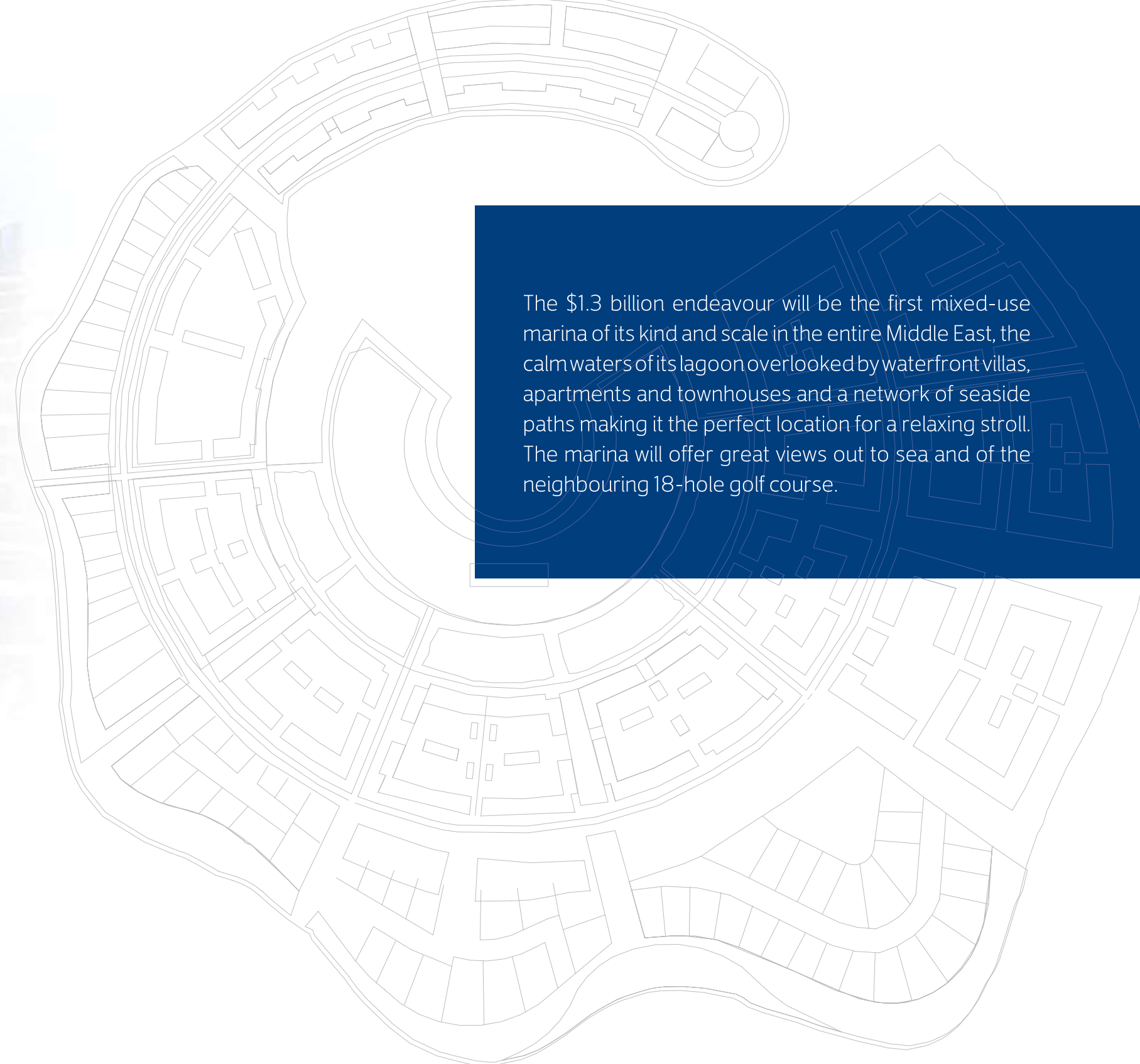
Whether you visit The Crescent for a few minutes on a break from work, or spend all weekend relaxing on its sun-kissed beaches you will find yourself instantly re-energised.





Durrat Al Bahrain makes the most of its waterfront location – the standalone Durrat Marina will boast berthing for up to 400 boats – welcoming the day-trippers from neighbouring countries and the larger vessels of the global jet-set alike.

## THE MARINA



The \$1.3 billion endeavour will be the first mixed-use marina of its kind and scale in the entire Middle East, the calm waters of its lagoon overlooked by waterfront villas, apartments and townhouses and a network of seaside paths making it the perfect location for a relaxing stroll. The marina will offer great views out to sea and of the neighbouring 18-hole golf course.

## SEA OF ADVENTURES, THRILL OF DISCOVERIES



Enjoying the view from one of the many waterfront restaurants, feel your cares melt away as you watch the boats from around the world glide into port for a day's shopping at the marina's designer boutiques. For those who live life at a slightly faster pace, sailing, jet-skiing and motorboat cruising will be on offer to the adventurous and help add to the vibrant atmosphere of this unique development. The varied marine life of the Gulf makes it the perfect place for a relaxing day cruise. Why not drop anchor near a deserted sandbank for lunch and an impromptu spot of scuba diving? At night, luxurious dhows offer candlelit dining as they drift through the silent seas.

Hop aboard a modern yacht and enjoy lunch at sea with friends, or stay shore side to savour the catch of the day from local fishermen in the surrounding restaurants.

Durrat Marina honours the sea-faring heritage of a country once famed for its vibrant pearl-diving industry and the steady traffic of merchants from around the world.





Just minutes from the lively commercial and entertainment district of The Crescent, this secluded island retreat is the perfect place to relax, taking advantage of the finest hospitality the world's top hotel chains have to offer. Soon to become a fashionable spot for high-end luxury travellers and holidaying families alike, this island heaven is sure to be elevated to the elite rank of luxury destinations which includes St Tropez and Barbados.

Set on the sweeping beaches at the centre of Durrat Al Bahrain, Hotel Island will welcome a number of the most exclusive hotels in the world to a specially created paradise.

## THE HOTEL ISLAND

## AURA OF SPLENDOUR, EMBRACE OF LUXURY



The Hotel Island gives travellers the choice of doing as much or as little as they please. Sports enthusiasts can burn off tensions of their normally chaotic lives with an energetic game of tennis, or take to the waves for a windsurfing lesson. But for those who relaxation is the number one priority, they need exert themselves no further than turning the pages of a favourite book as they recline on the immaculate beaches or dine at a poolside restaurant, casting the occasional glance out to sea to marvel at the leaping dolphins which hug the coastline of the resort. World-class spas facilities offer a range of luscious treatments, and one visit to this boutique destination is sure to lead to another.

Whether you arrive for a weekend retreat or a lengthy stay, once you check into Hotel Island you may never want to leave. From the second you experience this opulent paradise you are guaranteed the very best in luxury hospitality. Lounge poolside, explore luxury spas or take to the waves, enjoying an intimate meal with your family before retiring to your state-of-the-art hotel suite to dream of your next visit..



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