

NEW HOMES BUYERS GUIDE

Charleston's River Walk

Promotes upcountry living in Rockwood

For those who want more in a home, more in a location and more from their builder, Charleston Homes satisfies all of these needs with River Walk, an exquisite community of country manor-styled lofted bungalow townhomes on the banks of the Eramosa River in Rockwood.

With its soft rollings, quarries, woodlands and meandering river, Rockwood is the attractive setting for River Walk. It is a scenic village of board and batten homes with a main street of boutiques, shops and local services set in the midst of conservation areas. Their trails wind along the Eramosa River bordering this intimate enclave. It is here the Charleston Homes has thoughtfully-planned this community of lofted bungalow townhomes with many featuring riverside lots and lots with walk-out basements. Picture perfect surroundings and a treed border enclose these homes that are ideal for those seeking relaxed lifestyle. A homeowners' association will provide lawn care and snow removal to ensure a maintenance-free lifestyle.

A handsome limestone house built by the town's founder now houses the information centre for Charleston Homes, reminding all who visit of this picturesque community's proud past. Charleston's Charlie Kuiken, a custom builder, selected

Rockwood for its tranquil setting to build distinguished homes of classic comfort, contemporary style and gracious appointments. Kuiken grew up in the area and knows firsthand of the benefits of country living. His years of exacting craftsmanship are evident in the home designs and quality appointments, and he is always pleased to customize a home to its owner's discriminating tastes and needs. Kuiken has also gained a wealth of experience from clients who demand innovative design combined with custom-crafted details that exhibit classic style and character. Evidence of his high standards is found at his other sites which include Palamino Ranch in Carlisle, Erin Meadows in Erin, Deer Ridge in Kitchener, Glen Williams on the shores of the Credit River in Georgetown, and just a few blocks away in Rockwood within the detached homes of Mill Run. Always conscious of energy efficiency, Charleston Homes is an R-2000 builder.

Construction is now underway at River Walk where six floor plans exhibit refreshing designs that combine the practicality and spaciousness of a lofted bungalow with interiors of open-concept design, light-filled spaces and inherent versatility. These qualities, along with charming traditional details, are brought to the forefront within two adjoining model homes that characterize the high level of finishing detail that can easily be attained in a Charleston home. They are appointed with vaulted ceilings, optional skylights, arched windows and boxed bay windows, plant shelves, decorative ceiling finishes and one-piece acrylic tub and shower units. Colonial trim, oak railings, decorative columns, ceramics and 40-ounce carpeting enhance the innovative space within. The loft area is



also open to individual design for those who prefer an open plan or those requiring separate rooms for more privacy on the upper level.

Stroll along the interlocking brick driveway and adjoining walkway (standard features) and into the model home of The Old Mill. At 1,620 sq. ft., it admirably demonstrates many of these features, in addition to its spectacular open-concept Great Room complete with vaulted ceiling, plant shelves and skylights. The open loft overlooking the main floor can be further customized with an additional bedroom and full bathroom.

When a finished basement is considered (at a cost of \$13,080 to \$20,490, depending on the plan selected) the living space of this home can be doubled to offer plenty of room for visiting family members and grandchildren.

Next door is the model home of The Forge, a smaller home of 1,475 square feet but every bit as captivating, with its vaulted great room immediately adjacent to its generously-sized entry foyer. A bright kitchen enjoys access to the patio. Deep windows are found throughout lending an increased air of spaciousness.

Several purchasers have opted to create a master suite in the openness of the loft area and so Charleston Homes is offering one of its own designs. Under construction is The Grange, a one-of-a-kind home that will be ready for occupancy in mid-December. This home is located on a riverside lot and will be adorned with special features such as a great room lit by skylights, a walk-in pantry, a separate dining room area and double-car garage. The master suite with a private sitting area will be nestled within the loft with double French

doors leading into the luxurious five-piece ensuite. The price of \$216,000 includes everything that will be on view as the premium for this prestigious and picturesque lot within a community equally as appealing.

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River Walk Instant Info

Location: Rockwood

Style: Lofted bungalow townhomes

Size: 1,475 to 1,674 sq. ft. plus optional finished basement

Price: \$182,900 to \$188,900 (plus optional finished basement)

Closings: Mid December/January 2001

Directions: Follow Hwy. 25 north of the 401, then take Hwy. 7 west to Rockwood; turn right on Cobblestone Rd. to River Walk

Site Hours: 11 a.m. to 7 p.m. Mon. to Wed., Thurs., Friday closed. Weekends 12 p.m. to 5 p.m.

Further Information: Call Deborah Gibson at the site office at (519) 856-0764

