

BACKGROUNDER

“WATERSCAPE ON THE GRAND”

[Waterscape on the Grand](#) is a luxury condominium development by Ontario-based [Haastown Group of Companies](#).

Residents will begin moving into the first phase of the development — a 115-unit, 12-storey building — in September, 2010. Approximately 65 per cent of the units have been presold, with some owners purchasing adjoining suites to create custom residences worth up to \$1 million.

An excellent variety of units are still available, says developer Paul de Haas. Once all the Phase One units are sold, units for a second building of the same size will go on the market.

Waterscape offers a range of one- and two-bedroom units, including:

- one bedroom units (528 to 785 square feet) starting at \$159,900
- two bedrooms (765 to 984 square feet) starting at \$230,900
- two bedrooms plus a den (1,000 to 1,405 square feet) starting at \$299,900
- 9-foot ceilings in the main living area and each bedroom
- laminate wood flooring in the living room, dining room, kitchen and hallways

Amenities such as the Water Club make Waterscape unique. Located on the top floor with spectacular views of the river and the downtown skyline, the Water Club includes a European-style coffee bar, a large-screen theatre, a lounge with a grand fireplace and a fully equipped fitness centre with a private personal training area. Residents and their guests will also enjoy relaxing on the rooftop terrace, which features an outdoor cooking facility.

Waterscape is designed to be an environmentally friendly, healthy, serene place to live. Built to LEED standards, it incorporates [NUDURA insulated concrete forms](#) (ICF) for energy efficiency (up to R-50 compared to the standard R-20) and superior sound control. NUDURA ICFs also contribute to high indoor air quality — they don't emit harmful gases and they resist mold.

Shopping, fine restaurants and other amenities are close by for an active urban lifestyle:

- the [Walter Bean Grand River Trail](#) passes between Waterscape and the Grand River on its way south to Paris and north to Ontario's last covered wooden bridge at West Montrose;
- the former Riverbank Mill restaurant is scheduled to reopen next spring after a \$5-million upgrade; and
- an \$18-million [performing arts facility](#) and headquarters for [Drayton Entertainment](#) is scheduled to open in 2011.

The Real Estate Investment Network recognizes Cambridge as the best place in Ontario to buy a home or invest in real estate, according to a recent [CBC news report](#).

The Haastown Group of Companies focuses on revitalizing heritage and underutilized properties in Ontario for residential and commercial use. Recent projects include: The Boiler Factory Lofts and The Knitting Mill in Toronto, the Mill Lofts in Guelph, and The Lofts on Mansion in Kitchener.

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