

Big Bay Point

Ontario

D U A N Y P L A T E R - Z Y B E R K & C O M P A N Y



Location: Big Bay Point, Ontario
Type: Resort Villages
Year Design: 2003 & 2007
Status: Under Permitting
Size: 569 Acres
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Set on a partially-wooded, lakefront site, Big Bay Point is located in Innisfil, Ontario, about 60 kilometers northeast of Toronto. The design and vision for this resort community incorporates four main components: a mixed-use Marina Village of 172 acres, an Environmental Protection Zone preserving 209 acres of woodlands, a 188-acre golf course designed by Carrick & Associates, and a civic area on the southwest corner of the site. These components unite to form a single master plan, offering a picturesque contrast between the compact footprint of the marina village and the expanse of preserved open space.



The Marina Village will be an active urban waterfront, featuring a vibrant mix of residential, commercial and civic space. The lake's edge serves as a focal point for the project, and the design of the marina itself drew inspiration from Port Grimand in southern France. A wide waterfront promenade curves along the lakefront, offering a gathering place for pedestrians and a place for visitors to enjoy the area's scenery. The promenade is lined with mixed-use buildings fronting the lake, and is anchored by two waterfront plazas. In addition, two narrow islands, which are lined with townhouses and a boardwalk, extend into the lake itself, offering residents scenic, waterfront accommodation and direct interaction with the boats of the marina.



The development program includes 1,600 housing units in the form of townhouses and apartment buildings, 80,000 square feet of retail and commercial space, and two hotels. Recreational facilities include a black box theater, a community center and a pool on the lake. In addition to providing a host of seasonal recreational activities, the marina will house 1000 boat slips. All of these elements will contribute to the unique resort, which will feature a variety of recreational and retail amenities within a scenic, yet urban, environment.

