



Special features of the 44-storey Artra include pocket terraces on various levels for residents to unwind (left) and its convenient location beside Redhill MRT Station (below).

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A build **above** the rest

FEC Skyline's latest award-winning project is already creating much buzz

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Returning home at the end of each day to a welcoming, inviting space is the right of today's home owners.

To ensure this, the team behind award-winning mixed-use development project Artra has pulled out all the stops.

Expected to be completed next year, Artra, which is located beside Redhill MRT Station, comprises 400 residential units, a supermarket and 16 commercial lots.

A winner of the BCA Green Mark Gold award this year, Artra is a development of FEC Skyline, a joint venture between Hong Kong-listed Far East Consortium International and New World Development Company.

Clever design

"The 44-storey Artra is designed with well-planned layouts that utilise space and maximise the opportunity for residents to relax and bond with their families," says Mr Dennis Chiu, director of FEC Skyline.

A highlight of the condo is the spacious balconies that express an elegant linear geometry to the building. In its three-bedroom units, the expansive balcony area may stretch across the space of at least two rooms — the master bedroom, dining room or living room.

Artra also takes advantage of its height to provide residents with unblocked views of the surroundings — including the Singapore Botanic Gardens and the city skyline.

Located on various levels of the tower are three communal activity terraces and four pocket terraces.

The Leisure Terrace (Level 3) houses recreation facilities like swimming pools, a tennis court, a tea garden and a playground.

The Sky Terrace (Level 24) offers fitness and interaction spaces such as a recreation deck and lounge, sky jacuzzi and fitness club.

The Roof Terrace (Level 44) has a viewing deck and a rooftop lounge and pavilion.

Each of the four pocket terraces on Levels 9, 17, 29 and 37 has a recreation deck and lounge that provide quiet spaces for residents to unwind.

Lifestyle conveniences

Besides providing a direct covered linkway to Redhill MRT Station, Artra is also tops in providing lifestyle conveniences.

A supermarket and a variety of shops with retail and dining options are located on Level 1, while a childcare centre is located on Level 2.

Green and eco-friendly features

Artra promotes green living with its lush greenery and eco-friendly systems.

It has a sculpted canopy and acoustic barrier that serves not only as a sheltered walkway to the MRT station, but also as a barrier to diminish the sounds from the station and enhance the privacy of residents.

Among the eco-friendly appliances provided in the apartments are energy-efficient air-conditioning systems and water-efficient washing machines.

Artra also uses the pneumatic waste conveyance system, an environment-friendly automated system that transports waste by air suction through a network of pipes to a central collection station.



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