

YORK

THE TRADITION OF GOOD LIVING

— by Susan M Boyce —



It's no secret. I love luxury, especially when it comes to the place I call home. Add in a unique design flair, and you'll definitely catch my attention.

So stepping into York's display home, it's no wonder I hear a sigh of appreciation escape my lips. There's an underling sense of quality and meticulous attention to creating a West Coast welcome that's as tangible as if someone were whispering "come in, sit down, relax." It's a home that simply feels good.

DETAILS TO DELIGHT

"This is definitely one of our hottest plans," says sales manager Sherry Saran pointing out the nine-foot ceiling throughout the main living level, the gourmet kitchen with generous storage and counterspace, and the cozy fireplace.

Still, it's the dining area I find most captivating. Rather than walls, this 'room' is cleverly defined by exposed-timber ceiling beams. Although Sherry tells me this detail is a Phoenix Homes tradition, it's an effect I've never seen before. And it's stunning.

Upstairs I find three big, sunny bedrooms including a master suite with an adjoining open den that Sherry tells me some homeowners have converted into an enclosed office or used to make their master even larger. Closets are extra deep, and you won't find a bi-fold door anywhere — it's all heritage-style swing doors for yet another extra touch of classiness.

Then I spot an anomaly — a second set of stairs going up. "Wait till you see our attic room." Sherry explains leading the way.

Now I'm totally smitten. There's the sloped, corner rooflines I remember from childhood, a computer niche with window, a full bathroom, and ample space for the queen bed and sectional sofa on display. Fun, charming, and once again utterly different, you can be sure this is the room I'd be staking out for myself.

WHAT TO DO TODAY

"You just can't beat this location for convenience," Sherry says with obvious enthusiasm. "You're kitty-corner to Starbucks and the Farmers Market, steps from the new Langley Events Centre, and just up the road from all the amenities of Langley. Everything from shopping to fine dining, movies to hiking and outdoor recreation is right here. Langley truly is the hub of the Fraser Valley, and York puts you right at the heart of it all."

York's first phase is now selling. Priced from \$349,800 for homes ranging between 1,357 and 1,882 sq. ft. with five appliances and all upgrades included. Be sure to ask about York's special rebate program. Presentation centre and display home open noon to 5 p.m. daily except Fridays at 7298 – 199A St. in Langley. For more information call 604.568.3385 or visit yorkliving.ca or phoenixhomesbc.ca.