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Upscale homes, green space are a hit

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Two upscale new home enclaves set amidst mature trees and green space in established neighbourhoods of Richmond Hill have been a hit with buyers.

Since Heathwood Homes simultaneously released two infill sites in mid-September — the Reserve at the Woodlands, and Forestbrook — 37 of 62 available homes have been purchased. There are 25 lots still available, priced from the \$560,000s.

At The Reserve, north of King Rd., off Humberland Dr. between Bathurst and Yonge Sts., homes are set on two cul-de-sacs surrounded by woodlands and adjacent to a forest preserve. Each 43- and 50-foot lot is unique and all homes will have walkouts.

Forestbrook, on Rothbury Rd. south off Gamble Rd. and west of Yonge St., also has single-family homes on 43 and 50-foot lots with a



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select few ravine lots. The site also features walking trails and a park.

"These are both infill sites and the greenery is phenomenal," says Hugh Heron, president of Heathwood Homes. "These may be the

best sites we've ever had the opportunity to build on. It's location, location, location. And in Richmond Hill, everything is there."

Both are close to the numerous amenities, as well as Highways 404

and 407. While the location is ideal for drivers, transportation will be further enhanced once the Yonge St. subway is extended to Richmond Hill, points out Heron.

Several of the home designs offered — two storeys and bungalows with facades of brick, stone and stucco — are the same at both sites. The houses are built to Energy Star standards and finishes include eight-foot front doors, nine-foot main floor ceilings, hardwood flooring through the main level (as per plan), oak stairs, gas fireplaces, gourmet kitchens with granite countertops, and energy-saving features such as dual-flush toilets.

There are seven different models to choose from, ranging from 2,228 square feet to 4,003 square feet in size with each having a minimum of four bedrooms.

The first occupancy is slated for spring 2011.

The sales office for both the Reserve and Forestbrook is on the southwest corner of Yonge St. and Gamble Rd. (19th) in Richmond Hill. Hours are Monday to Thursday from 1 p.m. to 8 p.m.; closed Fridays; weekends and holidays from 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. For more information, visit heathwood.com.