



One of Olympia's more popular models from the Palazzo Collection is the Verona.

Olympia ... in Wellington

The Palazzo Collection, one of four collections of single-family homes at Olympia, in Wellington, consists of 10 innovative designs, including three from developer Minto's new 2007 Design Series.

This group of homes — five of which are among the community's 17 decorated models — provides floor plans ranging from 2,790 to 4,246 square feet of air-conditioned living space.

Here, buyers can choose from distinctive one- and two-story layouts — with four, five or six bedrooms and up to 5½ baths — priced from the \$560,000s to the \$630,000s.

One popular model in this collection is the Verona, a six-bedroom, 5½-bath residence, priced from \$709,900. Like a palatial Italian villa, this residence features a foyer under a high rotunda. A guest suite with full bath is off to one side; the formal dining room with a butler's pantry is on the other.

The formal living room, with optional fireplace, is ahead, leading to the large family room and the gourmet kitchen, which features a center island, walk-in pantry, desk, and a breakfast area with a floor-to-ceiling, curved, mitered glass window.

A staircase leads from the living room to the second floor, where there are five more bedrooms, including the master suite, which occupies one entire side of the upper level.

Right now, four completed residences from the Palazzo Collection can save buyers up to more than \$200,000. These are among a number of homes available, at substantially discounted prices, for immediate occupancy.

A total of more than 30 innovative designs are available at Olympia, ranging from almost 1,800 to more than 5,600 square feet of air-conditioned living space and priced from the \$350,000s to

more than \$1.5 million.

What distinguishes these homes, in addition to their Mediterranean- or Island-Colonial-style architecture, is Minto's high construction standards. These include building all first- and second-floor walls with concrete block, and all upper-level floor systems with a combination of steel joists and poured concrete.

Another major benefit is the company's complimentary MasterCare program, a service that assures customers long-term satisfaction with their new home.

Olympia also provides a five-star recreational lifestyle similar to that found at island resorts. The centerpiece for this is Villa Olympia, a 10-acre lakefront retreat with a 9,000-square-foot clubhouse. This facility houses a luxuriously appointed great room, fun-filled rooms for children and

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Verano

... in Port St. Lucie

Kolter Homes, the home builder that recently completed 14 decorated models at Verano in Port St. Lucie, has won five 2006 Medallion Awards from the Treasure Coast Builders Association.

Verano is a 3,000-acre master-planned community, being developed by Kolter Communities, just south of St. Lucie Boulevard West and just west of Interstate 95.

The annual event was held at the PGA Learning Center on Jan. 22.

Kolter Homes was honored in each of the five categories it entered: three first-place gold awards, for best architectural design for a detached home priced \$300,000 to \$400,000 (the Dario); best architectural design for an attached home priced at more than \$350,000 (the Alano); and best outdoor leisure area (the Dario).

The company also received two second-place silver awards for best architectural design for a detached home priced from \$300,000 to \$400,000 (the Evasio); and best interior merchandising for a model priced from \$500,000 to \$750,000 (the Dario).

Kolter worked with Affiniti Architects in Boca Raton on the Tuscan-inspired architectural design of the homes. The interiors

of the Dario were created by Decorators Unlimited in Palm Beach Gardens.

Craig Perna, president of Kolter's East Coast Master-Planned Communities, said, "All of us are delighted with these industry recognitions."

At Verano, Kolter offers one- and two-story, two- to four-bedroom single-family homes. These residences, priced from the \$400,000s to more than \$600,000, provide 2,000 to almost 3,300 square feet of air-conditioned living space.

Two- to four-bedroom paired residences, priced from the \$300,000s, provide 1,750 to 2,370 square feet of air-conditioned living space.

Perna said, "Verano also features residences with the Kolter 'Storm-Ready Home' distinction."

In addition, all homeowners will be members, without paying equity membership, to Club Verano. Its variety of amenities and activities include a clubhouse; three nine-hole golf courses; a wellness center and spa with fitness facilities, an indoor running track, indoor and outdoor pools, a gymnasium and classrooms for yoga, Pilates, aerobics and enrichment; a beach club; tennis

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The Dario model is one of several Medallion Award winners at Verano, a Kolter community in Port St. Lucie.

Recreational amenities galore at Kolter Communities' Verano

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center with a stadium court; additional racquet sports; a softball field; croquet, art and dance studios; and a performing-arts center.

Also planned are walking and bike trails, lakes for kayaks and canoes, and parks.

On-site restaurants, meeting facilities, specialty shops, a green market, gardening club, movie nights and music under the stars round out the amenities.

Kolter, the award-winning developer of Verano, was founded in the 1950s. The company brings development expertise and a tradition of quality, integrity and vision to its projects.

Since expanding from

Toronto to Florida in 1993, Kolter has built more than \$4 billion in residential projects.

TO VISIT

Directions to the Verano:

Take Interstate 95 to St. Lucie West Boulevard (Exit 121). Go west (left) toward the entrance to PGA Village and take the second right.

Hours: 9 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Monday through Saturday, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Sunday.

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