



Robert A.M. Stern-designed 20 East End Avenue makes its stately debut this fall



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Upper East Side condo project 20 East End Avenue, designed by Robert A.M. Stern Architects, will start sales this fall.

Developed by Corigin Real Estate Group in partnership with Florida East Coast Realty, the 17-story, 43-unit building is located at the corner of 80th Street and East End Avenue. The facade is rendered in brick and handset grey Indiana limestone, with bay windows, Juliet balconies and a healthy sprinkling of setback roof terraces. A gated porte-cochere and motor court will open into a central courtyard with a limestone wall fountain.

The residences consist of two- to six-bedroom homes, including three duplex townhouses and two penthouses. Unit sizes range from approximately 1,900 square feet to more than 6,000 square feet, with asking prices from about \$4.5 million to \$25 million-plus. The penthouses will measure an estimated 5,900 square feet to 6,300 square feet, and the top penthouse will feature a 4,000-square-foot private terrace.

Robert A.M. Stern designed the interiors, which have 11-foot ceilings, rift and quartersawn white oak hardwood floors in dark walnut stain and custom paneled entry and interior doors. Many units will be graced by private setback terraces, and some residences will come with private gardens, along with outdoor gas and wood fireplaces. Also in store for select apartments: interior gas fireplaces and "some of the last city approved wood-burning fireplaces."

Kitchens boast custom millwork cabinetry, granite countertops with pale grey crackle tile backsplash, natural oak custom islands with under-counter storage and appliances by Gaggenau. Each master bathroom is fitted with radiant heated flooring, milk-glass vanity with marble countertops, high-honed marble slab walls, Toto water closets and crown moldings.

The 24/7-attended octagonal lobby is wrapped in white marble and limestone, limed and grey-washed white oak paneling, a 12-foot Venetian plaster ceiling and a chandelier in custom alabaster and bronze. The focal point is a three-tiered, blackened steel sculptural staircase with treads and risers made from imported Atajia Azaul limestone. The second-floor amenities are a library with fireplace and book collection curated by Stern, billiard room with wet bar (stocked with Christofie lead-crystal glasses and a wall of privately keyed lockers 'for each family to store their favorite cordials') and private poker room. Amenities below the lobby level include a wine cellar with private dining room, children's game room, 3,000-square-foot gym, bicycle storage and private storage available for purchase.

Corigin acquired the property for \$61.75 million from The City University of New York in January 2013 and filed permits for a new building in September that year, as we reported.

Occupancy is anticipated for 2016. Corcoran Sunshine Marketing Group is handling marketing and sales.