



Medterra's First Green Model Now Open

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The Modena, recently certified by the Florida Green Building Coalition in Medterra, balances luxury amenities, such as a game room, pub and theater room, with environmentally and occupant-friendly features designed to save energy and water and improve indoor air quality. Built by BCB Homes, the four-bedroom, four-and-one-half-bath Modena is now open in Bello Lago, a neighborhood of custom single-family homes in Medterra, Bonita Bay Group's 1,697-acre master-planned community in North Naples.

The Modena overlooks a lake and the 16th hole of Medterra's Tom Fazio-designed North Course – views enjoyed throughout most of its 6,802 square feet of living space. The two-story home offers 9,015 total square feet, including a three-car garage, covered entry and large outdoor living area. It has formal living and dining rooms, a butler's pantry, library, family room and breakfast nook, and a large entertainment room that includes a game room, wet bar and theater with state-of-the-art audio/video projection equipment.



Many of the Modena's rooms access the large outdoor living area, which offers a summer kitchen with grill, a fireplace and wet bar.

The custom-designed pool features an infinity edge, beach entry and a raised, tiered spa, and is served by an energy-efficient pump.

The kitchen has a center island with dual dishwashers, a walk-in pantry and a walk-in cooler. All of the room's appliances are Energy Star-rated for energy and water efficiency.

The master suite offers his-and-her walk-in closets, a bedroom with a vaulted ceiling, and his-and-her bathrooms connected by a vestibule and double-entry shower. Each bath offers a vanity and water closet. Her bath also has a raised tub set against a window.

Each of the second-floor guest rooms has a private full bath and walk-in closet. The second floor also offers an overlook to the foyer, a morning kitchen and a balcony.

The Modena also has decorative ceiling treatments throughout, granite and marble countertops, archways and an elevator.

The home's Mediterranean architecture features large overhangs and windows to provide shade and cross ventilation. The model has received a Home Energy Rating System (HERS) score of 88.35, meaning it is more than 30 percent more energy efficient than a home built to standard Florida building code.

Additional green features include a central dehumidification system to improve indoor air quality by preventing the growth and survival of mold, mildew and dust mites and the use of paints containing low volatile organic compounds.

Enhancing the Modena's energy efficiency are a water recirculation system that delivers hot water immediately, spray-foam insulation to prevent the leakage of cooled air outside, and whole-house automation that allows occupants to turn off lights or air conditioning in unused rooms with the push of a button. Water efficiency is aided by the Modena's Energy Star appliances and native drought-tolerant landscaping.

The Modena features interior design by Collins & DuPont and is priced at \$5.85 million, furnished.

Bonita Bay Group is developing Medterra with the same commitment to meticulous planning, environmental stewardship, integrity and attention to detail that is evident at its flagship community, Bonita Bay. The community is being created with the intimacy, charm and classical style of the Mediterranean region of Europe. The overall master plan for the 1,697-acre community may include up to 950 residences and more than 1,000 acres of open space. Residents are eligible for membership in The Club at Medterra, which offers two Tom Fazio-designed championship golf courses, a 25,000-square-foot clubhouse, named best clubhouse twice by the Collier Building Industry Association, and the Sports Center with tennis, an outdoor pool and fitness center.

The private Mediterra Beach Club on the Gulf of Mexico features an elevated swimming pool, expansive sundeck, and indoor and al fresco dining overlooking 200 feet of shoreline. All residents enjoy miles of bicycle paths and nature trails leading to a series of themed neighborhood parks. Parque Celestial, featuring an array of astrological references, was awarded the American Society of Landscape Architects' Florida Chapter Award of Excellence. The community's second park, Calusa Play Park, offers children and adults an opportunity to learn more about the Calusa Indians, the earliest inhabitants of Southwest Florida.

Mediterra was named Community of the Year by the CBIA for four consecutive years, received the Award of Excellence for Open Spaces from the Florida Chapter of the American Society of Landscape Architects and has been honored with the Environmental Leaders in Golf Award from the Golf Course Superintendents Association of America and Golf Digest magazine in the private course category. It has recently been named by Golf Magazine as one of The 50 Best Golf Communities in America and by Travel + Leisure Golf and Links magazines as one of the top 100 golf communities in America. It was the first-ever 36-hole course to earn Audubon International's Silver Signature Sanctuary status.

Mediterra is now offering luxury coach homes from the \$600,000s, villas from the \$900,000s, single-family homesites from \$400,000 and custom homes from \$1.6 million to more than \$7 million. Mediterra is a private, gated community. Special summer offers are now available. For information or to tour the homes and homesites with a sales agent, visit the Mediterra Sales and Information Center, located just inside the entrance to the community on Livingston Road two miles north of Immokalee Road in North Naples. For additional information call toll free (800) 775-3560, or visit the Web site at www.mediterranaples.com.

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