

RETREAT REAL ESTATE

## DOUBLE IMPACT

The upcoming two-tower Aria Reserve packs twice the punch of five-star living.

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From top: Aria Reserve will consist of two 62-story towers; the sky lounge in the south tower.

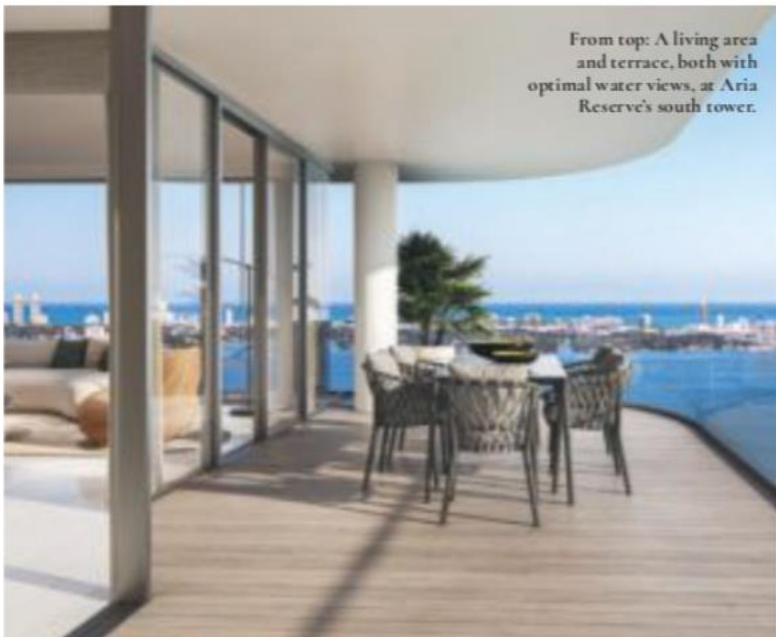
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Developer Carlos Melo obviously believes good things come in two. The man behind such towers as Aria on the Bay, Art Plaza and Bayhouse Miami recently lifted the curtain on his latest effort, Aria Reserve, a condominium project comprised of two 62-story twin towers that will make it the tallest waterfront residential development of its kind in the country once completed in 2024.

Boasting architecture by Arquitectonica, landscaping by ArquitectonicaGEO and interiors by Morada Haute Furniture Boutique, Aria Reserve seems tailor-made for the New Yorkers, San Franciscans

and other moneyed transplants that continue to flock to Miami in search of paradise and tax relief. Aggressive sales for the project's second tower (scheduled to break ground next year) indicate these new folks are serious about their future homes. Aria Reserve's 391 south tower residences include one- to four-bedroom floor plans measuring between 1,000 and 2,600 square feet in size and priced from \$750,000 to more than \$2 million. A selection of 15 penthouses (including three with private rooftop decks and three-car garage vaults) go for as much as \$12 million. Such figures demand extras like two private elevators per unit, a dedicated bonus or office room, 10-foot-high





From top: A living area and terrace, both with optimal water views, at Aria Reserve's south tower.

ceilings and open flow-through layouts with sunset, bay and ocean views.

In terms of amenities, the on-site pleasures are many: a 2-acre recreation deck with an Olympic-size lap pool, a children's splash pad, a playground, a teen lounge and gaming center, a theater, courts for tennis and basketball, a miniature golf course, a wellness center with indoor and outdoor amenities, a state-of-the-art gym and the requisite yoga garden. Additionally, the double-level lobby will house a signature waterfront restaurant, two more pool and lounge areas with hot tubs and day beds, a fire pit, a dog park and an observatory complete with telescopes from which to zoom in on Miami's ever-growing transformation. *Sales gallery: 2480 Biscayne Blvd., Miami, 305.800.8888, [ariareserve.com](http://ariareserve.com)*