

Blending architecture, nature for sustainable urban living

KSK's 8 Conlay to be designed by Bangkok-based Landscape Design Studio TROP

KUALA LUMPUR: Renowned Bangkok-based landscape design studio, TROP has unveiled its landscape design plan for 8 Conlay, a luxury branded residence project developed by KSK Land Sdn Bhd (KSK Land). 8 Conlay marks TROP's first branded residences project in Malaysia.

TROP's lead design director, Pok Kobkongsanti, is transforming the 44th level of the joined towers of 8 Conlay into a chic personal space that resembles a tropical rainforest in the heart of city centre.

The vertical garden space will encapsulate the idea of a futuristic vertical park that blends architecture and nature.

Complementing the overall 'rainforest' theme, Pok further said the development's main pool, which is located on the 26th level, took the inspiration from dew drops in the rainforests.

Taking into consideration the demographics of its residents, 8 Conlay's pool area is divided into four parts namely, the lap pool or main pool, reflective pool, spa pool and children's pool.

In addition to the main pool, the facilities floor will include other lifestyle-inspired amenities such as a gym, sauna, children's pool, playground and a yoga deck.

"We want to create a vertical garden that local residents have never seen before," said Joanne Kua, CEO of KSK Group and Managing Director of KSK Land.

"Our collaboration with TROP is a testimony of our vision to build a quality urban living environment through the clever use of greenery and hardscape. 8 Conlay is more than just a stylish address; it is a sanctuary for residents to retreat to for the ultimate experience in comfort and style."

"At KSK Land we dare to be different and are constantly pushing the boundaries to deliver exceptional value for our development. With 8 Conlay, we are redefining urban luxury living through three main elements - design, architecture and bespoke services," Kua explained.

"Malaysia is famous for its biodiversity. I was inspired by the country's lush topography and the tropical forest in the heart of Kuala Lumpur (Bukit Nanas). I intend to design a garden-in-the-sky that resembles a 'tropical rainforest' for 8 Conlay.

"Greenery will be the main element used in this project and we envision having large trees being planted in the surrounding to create a hidden sanctuary for its resi-

dents to unwind and relax," said Pok at a special media briefing session.

"We want to create an 'open' terrace that opens up to the wonderful views of the greenery. There is also an undulating 'hanging' jogging track encircling the garden," said Pok.

"Drawing inspiration from Malaysia's lush greenery and mountainous terrains, Pok keeps his designs simple and clean while having a good balance of private and open spaces.

"Elements of Malaysia's majestic trees are reflected in the garden's strategically placed columns intertwined with lush locally sourced plant species, creating a cosy and private sanctuary for 8 Conlay residents to unwind.

Located on No. 8 Jalan Conlay, the development is a mixed-use development comprising two branded residential towers of 57-storey and 62-storey blocks which will be connected via two sky bridges at level 44 and 26, complemented by a 68-storey five-star hotel and a retail component.

The two branded residential towers will be completed by 2019 and will comprise residential units with built-up sizes ranging between 682 sq ft and 1,295 sq ft.



8 CONLAY'S garden-in-the-sky on level 44 will be populated by trees of different heights to create a 'forest canopy' effect.



ARTIST'S impression of 8 Conlay, KSK Land's maiden luxury branded residence project.