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THE GREEN HOMES AT THE GREENBRIER.

★ *Mike Guy*

When DPS Sporting Club Development Company, LLC., first tested the waters of environmentally - responsible development in 1998, the concept of sustainability in luxury real estate had yet to capture national attention. Today, the Green Movement has permeated everything from dish soap to tractor fuel, yet DPS has always had the environment in mind and it is this philosophy that sets DPS apart.

DPS Sporting Club Development builds adventure-oriented family residential sporting communities in historic locations like The Ford Plantation in Savannah, Georgia; Snake River Sporting Club in Jackson Hole, Wyoming; and Turks & Caicos Sporting Club at Ambergris Cay, in British West Indies.

DPS' dedication to Green can be seen in its latest project at The Greenbrier Sporting Club, located in the misty hills of White Sulphur Springs, West Virginia. For this project, DPS teamed up with architect Campion Platt and EarthWise Homes, LLC, an affiliate of Sterling Construction Management, to create Timberpeg® post and beam homes for the new luxury green community, Green Homes at The Greenbrier.

"As a team, DPS and I have researched innumerable possible products and in particular, those available locally to The Greenbrier Sporting Club for use in the construction of the exterior as well as interior of the new Green Homes at The Greenbrier," says Platt, who has been listed repeatedly in Architectural Digest's Top 100 Designers and Architects.

The Green Homes at The Greenbrier have been vetted to extremely high standards of

sustainability, as in the Timberpeg® post and beam homes meet guidelines set by the National Green Building Standards drafted this year by the National Association of Home Builders (NAHB).

"The final neighborhood will be decisively green," says Dan Paquette, DPS' Director of Development. "We're incorporating environmental considerations and resource efficiency into every step of the building and planning process. We strive for minimal environmental impact."

DPS has carefully parceled out 56 lots over 213 acres. The landscaping surrounding each home will incorporate a wide variety of drought resistant trees and shrubs, which will be irrigated by rainwater collection systems. Platt and EarthWise Homes are changing as little of the original landscape as possible and much of the construction debris that is generated onsite will be recycled or reused.

What this requires of DPS is meticulous accounting of every single component of every building that goes up at the Green Homes at The Greenbrier. Each building material and component is scrutinized on a scale of sustainability as well as impact on health, durability and, of course, aesthetics.

"We've taken apart the traditional home and put it back together in an environmentally significant way," Paquette says. The finished product is what he calls a "whole-house system," one that incorporates water efficiency, sustainable building resources, and an extremely high standard of indoor air quality. The Green Homes at The Greenbrier use structural insulated panels, which are layered over an exterior fir timber frame. They also sit on a pre-fabricated foundation

system, which saves on the use of concrete and provides for a highly insulated lower level. The homes have high insulating value windows and some may be equipped with "earth coupling" technology, tapping into geothermal heat.

Today, The Greenbrier resort's humble roots in wellness have been resurrected and improved upon in the new Green Homes at The Greenbrier, located adjacent to the Summit Village neighborhood and its mountaintop amenities. The indoor air quality of each home has been carefully considered by Paquette and his planning team, while architect Platt has carefully screened the paints and furnishings to assure that they are free of environmentally unfriendly chemicals like formaldehyde and toxic glues.

DPS' vision of environmentally friendly sporting communities and its commitment to preserving the historic character of each chosen location has remained the same since it first began developing properties nearly 15 years ago. Luckily, advanced building technologies are now available to enhance DPS' practice of building in environmentally responsible ways, allowing them to create residential communities in authentically green environments.

"DPS members and buyers are passionate families who believe in their role of stewardship of their property, their community and their planet," says Pollak. "The construction of the Green Homes at The Greenbrier is a natural fit for this involved, value-oriented group of people who demand authenticity." ★

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