

A century of heritage at Canyon Ranch

THE sight of racing thoroughbreds. Valiant jockeys aiming for the win. An overwhelming roar from the crowd. On the race tracks, "horse power" takes on a whole new meaning, as it brings with it one's passion for winning and an inspired commitment to preserve a treasured heritage.

Long before horses dominated hippodromes and such similarly constructed race tracks, they have already been racing for nobility. Dubbed as "the sport of kings," horse racing branched the brawn and vitality of royals in such glorious conquests as chariot races of Roman times. Even in mythology, the sport found its rightful place as steeds of the gods. Today, horse racing has evolved into a national pastime, but nevertheless kept its glory alive for racers and racing enthusiasts alike.

Here in the Philippines, the love for the sport gave rise to the first racing club in Southeast Asia—The Manila Jockey Club, founded in 1867 by Spanish General Jose de la Gandara y Navarro, along with the 100 *socio fundadores*, or elite sportsmen, who were mostly descendants of distinguished Filipino, Spanish, and English families. With over a century of horse racing heritage to its name, the Manila Jockey Club remains at par with the world's horse racing community, as it continues to adapt industry-leading facilities in its newfound home—the San Lazaro Leisure Park.

Envisioned as the new Mecca of Philippine racing, the San Lazaro Leisure Park is the Philippines' most modern horse racing complex, spanning 77 hectares of prime property in Carmona, Cavite. Poised to usher in both tourists and racing enthusiasts, the San Lazaro Leisure Park expands to integrate a commercial complex, a casino, a luxury



■ Relish nature's splendid grace and charm with California Ranch-style homes.

hotel, and an equestrian field. As the industry of horse racing continues to flourish in the south, Century Properties offers Filipinos a premium investment inspired by this unique heritage.

Canyon Ranch, the country's first Wi-Fi integrated, first-class master-planned community, boasts of an ideal location with exceptional terrain, refreshing climate, and breathtaking views of Laguna de Bay, Mount Makiling, and Mount Banahaw. Canyon Ranch is a 17-hectare, California Ranch Style gated residential community, located within the progressive area of Carmona, Cavite, just 25 minutes away from Makati, 15 minutes from the International Airport, 10 minutes from Alabang, and premier educational, recreational, shopping, sports and leisure facilities. Integrated within the sprawling 77-hectare San Lazaro Leisure Park, homeowners at Canyon Ranch have access to an array of sports, leisure, and entertainment activities. See thor-



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■ A two-story, three-building commercial space, The Village Center at Canyon Ranch offers residents a fine selection of dining, shopping and entertainment establishments.

oughbreds race from your own backyard, or enjoy the delightful range of amenities at the exclusive Canyon Ranch Clubhouse, complete with basketball and badminton courts, fully-equipped gym, a luxurious swimming pool, and a modern game room. Convenience is paramount to this inviting community, where virtually everything is just within reach at The Village Center, which offers a fine selection of dining, shopping, and entertainment establishments.

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■ Located 10 stories above ground, Canyon Ranch homes delight your senses with breathtaking 360-degree views of Laguna de Bay, Mount Makiling, and Mount Banahaw.



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