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Sea House Plan 1 features an open floor plan in a three-story detached home.

COSTA MESA, CA—[MBK Homes](#) has introduced a new concept in home design to the local area. The homebuilder has broken ground on **Sea House**, a collection of 33 three-story detached residences featuring an **urban industrial design**.

Each residence features rooftop decks and three open floor plans ranging from 1,587 to 1,785 square feet, some with ocean views. The homes include two full and two half baths, up to three bedrooms and two-car attached garages.

The first-floor living space is zoned for **live/work**, conducive to running a business from home. Standard features include stainless-steel appliances, granite countertops, a flat-screen television conduit in the living area and optional features including USB charging stations and a flat-screen television conduit for balconies. Prices start in the low \$600,000s, and sales are expected to begin in August with occupancy in first-quarter 2014.

The high-density homes of the infill property, which sits on 1.6 acres at **1036 W. 18<sup>th</sup> St.** here, were designed by Fallbrook-based **Summa Architecture** to fit within the fabric of the surrounding community.

**Howard Associates** has also created a series of eclectic gathering spaces, overhead trellis structures and ornamental grasses and succulents to soften the landscape and provide a “warm and inviting environment.”

According to **Rick Fletcher**, VP of sales and marketing for MBK Homes, “Sea House is one of several new **housing** communities that are anticipated to break ground in Costa Mesa over the next 18 to 24 months, and we are excited to be part of the growth and evolution here. Along with our other three communities that will debut in Southern California in 2013, the launch of **construction** at Sea House signifies our confidence in the market and commitment to providing a higher standard of quality homes and customer service to our buyers.”

Fletcher added in a prepared statement that nothing else in Orange County offers this type of high-density product with three stories of living space and rooftop decks with ocean views. “It breaks the mold in terms of what people typically picture single-family tract homes in Orange County looking like, which will appeal to **Millennial** buyers that crave convenience and energy of an urban environment, yet still want the laid-back, carefree lifestyle that is synonymous with this region.”

Sea House is close to amenities and venues that appeal to Millennials as well, including **South Coast Plaza**, **OC Mart Mix**, the **LAB Anti-Mall**, the **CAMP**, **Costa Mesa Fairgrounds**, **Verizon Wireless Amphitheater**, **Angel Stadium**, the **Honda Center** and **Seegerstrom Center for the Arts**. Close to the ocean, the community is also less than one mile from major employer headquarters including **Hurley**, **World Industries**, **Volcom** and **RVCA**.

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