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"OWNERS ARE INTERESTED IN LIVING IN COMMUNITIES THAT ALLOW THEM MORE FREEDOM OF PERSONAL EXPRESSION, AT LONG COVE, EVEN THOUGH MOST OF THE HOMES ARE BASED ON TRADITIONAL STYLES, THEY ARE CLEANER, LIGHTER, BRIGHTER INTERPRETATIONS OF THEIR ROOT INSPIRATION."

Chris Kelsey, president of Long Cove, a luxury secondhome community on Cedar Creek Lake, long-cove.com



'HOOD HIGHLIGHTS

Mercat Bistro

This Euro-meets-Texas bistro is a charming spot for everything from breakfast pastries to decadent wine-paired dinners. 2501 N. Harwood St., 214.953.0917, mercafbistro.com

Magnolias: Sous Le Pont

A French cafe with an artisanal coffee menu and friendly baristas? You'll bond with your neighbors over espresso. 2727 N. Harwood St., 214.965.1400, magnoliasdallas.com

The Grove at Harwood

This outdoor oasis is a summer must, with pressed panini, picnic tables, bocce ball and volleyball. 3019 McKinnon, 214.663.1001, harwoodgrove.com

FEELING BLEU From top: Bleu Ciel's interior finishes were inspired by luxury resort design; Harwood residents get their caffeine fix at Magnolias: Sous Le Pont.

HOT 'HOOD HARWOOD DISTRICT

It seems that every day a new project pops up in the 18 city blocks that make up Dallas' Harwood District. Already home to the 31-story Azure Condos, the Uptown neighborhood is also set to welcome the hotly anticipated **Bleu Ciel**, a 33-story residential tower designed

> by world-renowned architect Jean-Michel Wilmotte and architectural firm HDF.

With prices starting in the \$800,000s for luxury residences ranging from 1,300 to more than 7,500 square feet, residents can expect the most premium of finishes. But it's the amenities neighbors will envy: two Junior Olympic-size pools; a resident-only spa designed by award-winning Be a Dragonfly

spa group; a private dog park; an on-site gourmet grocery market with resident delivery services; and on the ground level, a restaurant, juice bar and bike shop. All this nestled in gardens designed by landscape architect Sadafumi Uchiyama of the Portland Japanese Garden. bleucielliving.com



SWINGING SIXTIES

Rather than tear down an iconic midcentury apartment building, developers of The River Oaks condominiums made the uncommon decision to renovate.

LANDMARK MAKEOVER

If you've ever slowed down while driving in the 3400 block of Westheimer Road to take a lingering look at a 17-story, Miesian-style building, you were probably peering at architect Cameron Fairchild's 1960s-built River Oaks Apartments. Soon you'll be making a full stop to admire the midcentury-modern structure, as Houston-based EDI International, Rottet Studio and McDugald-Steele have teamed up to transform the landmark into The River Oaks condominiums. "With The River Oaks, I knew intuitively that the new project must celebrate and embrace the streamlined modern nature of the building, yet enhance it with the glory that it should have originally had—and can now have," says interior architect Lauren Rottet, who has also slowed her car to admire the building over the years, thinking about how wonderful it would be to bring it back to its full potential. Think floor-to-ceiling glass; materials such as simply detailed wood veneer, limestone, marble and dark bronze; and a stately pool and gardens. The spirit of 1963, with a glossy 2016 finish. Limited inventory of 84 residences from \$875,000, theriveroaks.com