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" Every project gives you a chance - make it matter "

## Rainforest

## Mumbai

Project Status: Built
Site Area: 4 Acres
Project Area: 10,00,000 Sq.ft
Initiation of the Project: March 2015
Completion of the Project: October 2019
Client Name: Kanakia Space Realty Pvt. Ltd.
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Located on a hilltop with views of Powai Lake and Aarey Colony greens, with lush green trees and heavy contour ranging from 0 to 13 meters, our first site visit reverberated to create a 'Rainforest' . Our motto was to retain maximum tress on the site along with attaining maximum view for the 10 residential towers.

The buildings were designed and planned in a staggered form keeping in mind the view and the topography of the site. A meandering road (like in a forest) connects the drop off areas at different building lobbies. Each apartment was designed with a minimum of two sides open for cross ventilation and the view.

Exploiting the topography, pockets for recreational areas are created between the buildings with a large car-free zone and gardens at different levels. The entrance podium reflects the theme with tree shaped canopies and green walls. The entrance lobbies are designed using natural stone motifs as flooring and wall dado, the wooden log furniture used along with balusters designed with African tribal art work.











The tree trunk and its branches symbolically made their way into the building elevation. Foliage was translated as a design feature. The architectural design language reflects the natural surroundings. Be it the earthy colour of the facades, the tree drop off canopies, green walled car parking spaces, the clubhouse with an infinity pool and the landscape areas all reflect the rainforest jungle.

Almost half the site is covered with landscape elements enticing the green aspect of the building. The infinity swimming pool located on top of the clubhouse is designed to use the overflow of water as a water body, which naturally infuses the sound of the waterfall in the micro ecosystem of the clubhouse.

The inclusion of the trees and nature is a design code for this project that will always hold maximum appeal to us.

