

Name: **Horizon Beach Residential**
 Type: Residential | 11,000 m²
 Location: Messilah, Kuwait
 Date: 2019-
 Client: Private
 Cost: Confidential
 Renders: [AGi architects](#)

Project Description

The “**Horizon Beach Residential**” building has, without a doubt, been a **real challenge**. This housing complex on a long and narrow plot has been designed for **most homes to enjoy sea views**, where the narrowest façades are those parallel to the beach. With restrictive local planning regulations that only allow building up to three floors, we chose a **horizontal hierarchy with a tiered arrangement of homes and views**.

The traditional housing block model with homes on the exterior and internal circulations inside was not an option due to the barriers posed by adjacent neighbors to the south and north, and views to the exterior were not guaranteed. After several design approaches, **the closed block model was fragmented and we decided to use the circulations as a separating element towards the neighbors on the south side**, also the most exposed and affected by Kuwait's climate. All the rooms in each home face north and are staggered so that a large number of them have corner living rooms and views to the sea.

Different typologies were included, with one, two, three or four bedrooms, arranged **on two levels** and creating **different outdoor public or private green spaces**, around which the shared services are distributed, such as the pool or gym. The **basement** is used for **parking and service facilities**. On the beach-facing façade there are two premium four-bedroom duplexes, with direct access to the beach from their ground floor gardens.

The material quality of the project is characterized by the **curved elements that work as shades for the openings and windows**, as well as the **brick in reddish tones** used on the **outer envelope**, contrasting with the **white ceramic of the interior spaces** that provides luminosity to all the circulation spaces.

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