

## COMMUNITYSCAPE

# Small-town lifestyle a bonus for Leduc project

Community has range of family housing options

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The future is looking bright in Southfork. This residential community just 10 minutes south of Edmonton, in Leduc, offers an extensive range of family-oriented housing options and its latest stage is now coming online.

Stage 3A will see just under 200 lots available with a variety of choices including town houses, semi-detached homes, single-family laned homes and single-family homes with front attached garages.

"Southfork Leduc is like no other community in the City of Leduc," says Laura Mills, land co-ordinator for Tamani Communities, which is now developing stage 3A and future phases.

"An opportunity arose making it possible for Tamani to develop the balance of Southfork, and we were thrilled! We strongly believe that Leduc is thriving on so many levels and we are very happy to be a part of its growth into the future."

Mills points to expansive green space, parks, paths and playgrounds as just some of Southfork's drawing cards. Architectural guidelines consisting of rich, vibrant siding, dark roofs, and bold white trim are also in

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place to add character to this growing subdivision.

"This thoughtfully planned, amenity-rich community incorporates all the value-packed qualities families are looking for in a neighbourhood," adds Mills.

Builders in stage 3A include Dolce Vita Homes, Homes by Avi, and Jayman under its Innovations by Jayman and Jayman MasterBuilt labels.

To officially launch stage 3A, a grand opening is scheduled for this weekend, bolstered by 14 show homes, hotdogs, kids' face painting and a gift giveaway.

Homes by Avi and Innovations by Jayman are building semi-detached homes starting in the high \$200,000s, while Dolce Vita and Innovations by Jayman will be constructing laned homes (single-family homes with rear lanes) from the low \$300,000s.

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A new park in Southfork Leduc has lots of play options for all sizes of children.

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Homes in Southfork Leduc are being built by Dolce Vita Homes, Homes by Avi, and Jayman.



A Homes by Avi show home has a modern kitchen featuring an island and earth-tone colours.



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The house where Macaulay Culkin starred in Home Alone is up for sale.

## Home Alone house for sale for \$2.4 million

Reuters  
NEW YORK

The stately Georgian home where actor Macaulay Culkin outwitted a pair of bumbling thieves in the 1990 hit film *Home Alone* is for sale for \$2.4 million.

John and Cynthia Abendshien, the owners of the four-bedroom, red brick home north of Chicago, said they are ready to downsize, since their daughter—who became Culkin's playmate during the six-month long shoot—is grown up.

"We got to know him, and eventually called him by his nickname, Mac," said John Abendshien, adding he was "a nice, but quiet young boy."

The family lived in the house throughout most of the filming, moving into the four-room master bedroom suite.

"Very few homes have a leading role in a movie, in a sense of becoming an additional character," said Marissa Hopkins of Coldwell Banker, the company handling the sale.

In the film, directed by Chris Columbus, eight-year-old Kevin McCallister wishes away his family, including four taunting older siblings, and then finds his wish has come true when the family flies to Paris for the Christmas holiday, mistakenly leaving him behind.

Kevin, played by Culkin, spends the bulk of the film outsmarting the burglars, played by Joe Pesci and Daniel Stern, in the film that became the year's top box-office hit and spawned several sequels.

Beyond its celluloid fame, the 1920s home features a gourmet kitchen, wood-burning fireplace, a sunroom, a dormered attic bedroom and a detached garage and is situated on a half-acre lot not far from Lake Michigan.

In keeping with its star status, the house will have its own listing website: [www.HomeAloneHome.ColdwellBanker.com](http://www.HomeAloneHome.ColdwellBanker.com).

The New York English Tudor home where the famous wedding sequence from the 1972 film *The Godfather* was filmed is also on the market.

It was listed in December with an asking price of just under \$3 million.

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