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The London development that let's you live next to the queen

Encompassing the best of old and new, the 72-apartment No. 1 Palace Street will offer a grand interior scale created alongside unrivalled design

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Buckingham Gate facade of No. 1 Palace Street

Could you imagine living next to the queen? One of London's newest property developments is now offering owners a contemporary living experience with unprecedented views of Buckingham Palace.

Located in the heart of St. James's Park, No.1 Palace Street is a 72-unit building by London luxury property developer, Northacre, offering a grand interior scale with a mix of the traditional and contemporary.

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The interior architecture and design of apartments has been carefully considered to complement the different architectural styles of the building by Northacre's Design Director Orlando Rodriguez and architectural firm Squire & Partners.

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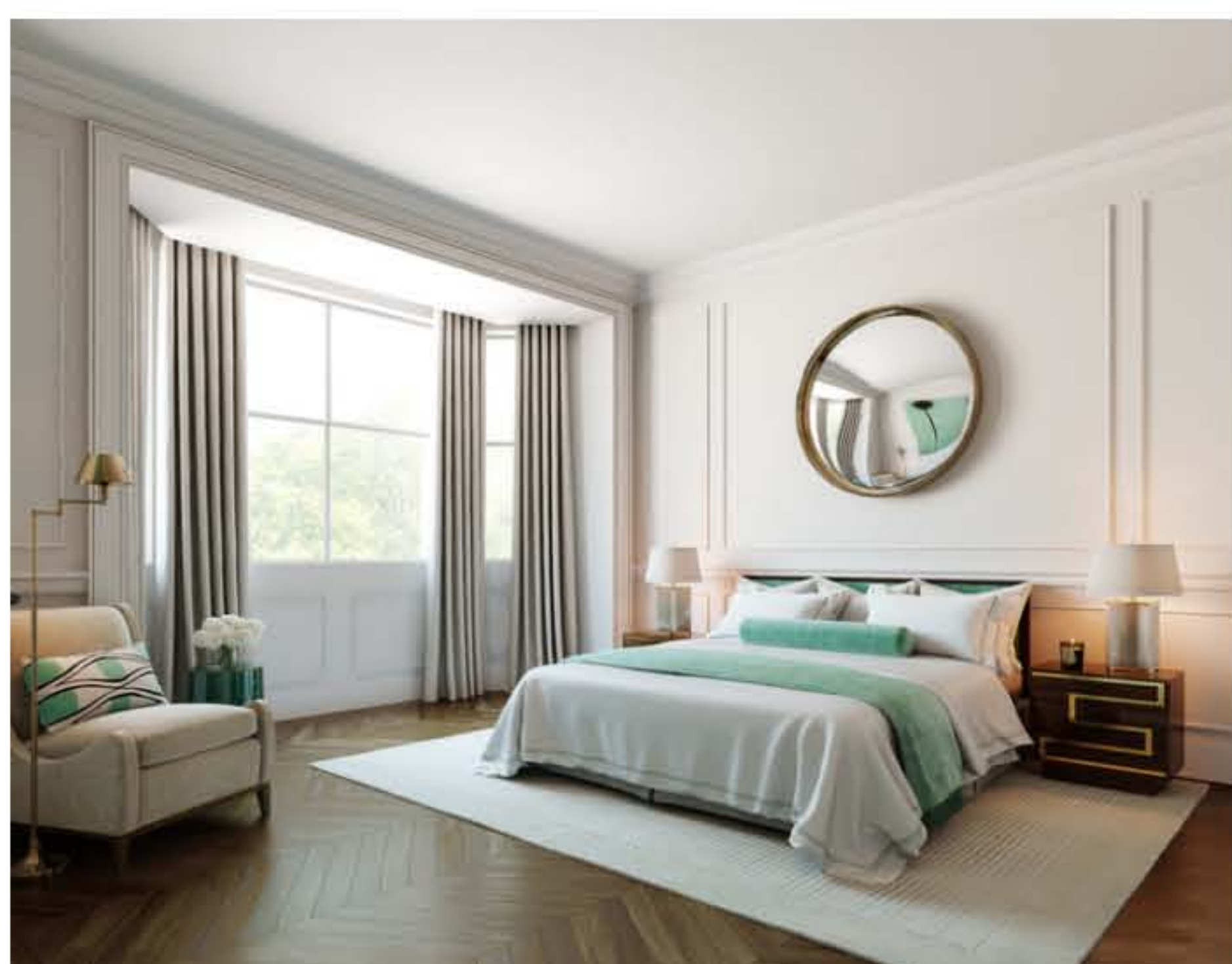
"No. 1 Palace Street is a unique island site that combines five notable different architectural styles, spanning from the 1800s through to contemporary and provides a style to suits all tastes," Rodriguez says.

Built in 1861, the Grade II listed wing of the building was a major landmark hotel of the Victorian period, 'The Palace Hotel' and hosted distinguished guests of Queen Victoria. The building's relationship to the Palace is reinforced by the discovery of an emblematic design that mirrors the footprint of Buckingham palace.



"As the complex build develops, more of its remarkable heritage continues to be revealed," he says. "Within the Buckingham Gate wing of the building a mysterious square icon has been discovered across the original 1860s stonework and marquetry. Elsewhere, exquisite Grade II listed staircases have come to light."

The development represents an impressive blend of traditional and contemporary design, encompassing five different iconic architectural styles that span 1860s Grade II Listed Italianate Renaissance, 1880s French Renaissance, 1880s French Beaux Arts, 1890s Queen Anne and Contemporary.



"With such architectural diversity came various challenges in terms of how we design each building in its individual style and in order to link the different buildings together as they have different window types and levels between them," Rodriguez explains.

The property will also house more than 10,000 sq. ft. of lifestyle facilities including a 6,500 sq. ft. 'haven of wellbeing' for residents' personal use, that includes an expansive gym, personal training suites, treatment rooms, and one of the most impressive private pools in London.



"Despite such complexity, we will end up with five different products - different buildings, different scales within the buildings, different heritage and features to each building but an aesthetic link which ties them all together," he says.



No. 1 Palace Street is due to complete by the end of 2020.

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