

OH, SO VERY VICEROY

VISIT FOR A WEEKEND OR SETTLE IN AS AN OWNER

AFTER A MAGICAL weekend at the Viceroy Snowmass, it was only a matter of time before the tears came. "Why? Why do we have to leave? Why can't we live here?"



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my 7-year-old cried when Sunday morning finally came around and it was time to pack our ski gear and go. "Because we don't live here," I said, unemphatically.

After all, we had just treated the kids to the ultimate "staycation" — a weekend at the Viceroy Snowmass, home to the amazing Eight K restaurant, spa, pools, and contemporary mountain-designed rooms with large and lavish bedrooms, faux fur throws, fireplaces and of course, fabulous service.

What I didn't have the heart to tell him was this: We kind of could live there, at least part of the year. Anyone can. The Viceroy, which was originally intended as a hotel-condominium resort, is once again offering us wholly owned Viceroy Snowmass Residences. The units range from studios to four bedrooms. All of them, says Dwayne Romero, president of Related Colorado, include the amenities and services that made the Viceroy Snowmass Resort and Residences the No. 1 rated hotel in Aspen/Snowmass, according to the 2012 Conde Nast Traveler Reader Choice Awards. Ten have already been sold this season.

Among the numerous benefits to whole ownership at Viceroy are guarantees of availability for prime vacation periods, secure owner storage space for all the mountain toys, flexibility to place the residence in a rental program, and the ease of a luxury hotel combined with a residence.



ABOVE: Duck Confit Flatbread from Eight K.



LEFT TO RIGHT: A selection of cocktails from the Nest; a luxurious master bedroom; the Eight K.



OPPOSITE PAGE: Firecracker Sushi from the Nest.

I have to admit, the weekend made our mini-ski-vacation as easy as possible. We dropped our skis at the door and they were available to us anytime we wanted to access the ski-in/ski-out property. The new open-air, electric-powered car called the "Luge" swept us up to the Base Village at a moment's notice — when we weren't lying around the two-bedroom suite, just living the good life.

And the food, at both the Nest (featuring great sushi and a vodka bar) and the illustrious Eight K, was enough to make anyone want to move in. Chef Will Nolan's NOLA-

inspired cuisine always has me surprised and satiated, dare I say, emotional?

In fact, the Viceroy Snowmass Residences can bring tears of happiness to anyone's eyes. Just ask my son. Why would one ever leave?

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