

# PATTI AND SY

## DISCOVER **BRICKWATER**

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Three and a half years ago, magic happened at the Brickwater presentation centre in downtown Maple Ridge.

Already proud grandparents of an eight-year-old grandson, Patti and Sy were just beginning to consider downsizing from the single-family home where they'd raised two daughters. "Patti can't drive any longer, and she really wanted to be able to do things on her own without being so dependent on me," Sy explains. "When I saw the sign go up at Brickwater, I thought what a great location this would be for her because everything is walking distance."

That weekend, the couple popped into the newly opened presentation centre to investigate further. The floorplans wowed them — especially one corner suite with a massive balcony and panoramic views from Mount Seymour in the northwest to Mount Baker in the southeast. "I'm not really a condo person," Sy admits. "But we made an offer on the spot. After all, we could always rent it out if we didn't want to live there ourselves."

It would be almost two years before construction was complete. Long before then, however, Patti and Sy were on a first name basis with the entire sales team and felt like they'd become part of the Falcon Homes family. "Fred Formosa has such a great reputation as an ethical builder," Sy says. "And the staff were all so helpful throughout the process."



Still, Patti admits that she and her daughters were all wondering what "Daddy" would actually say when he walked through the front door of their new home. She smiles fondly at her husband. "We needn't have worried. You should have just seen his face. The suite was breathtaking — so spacious and tastefully finished. And the views... every room, including the kitchen, has a view of mountains or trees. I told him there was no way we were going to rent out a place that was this gorgeous."

In June of 2021, Patti and Sy will celebrate their second anniversary at Brickwater. The sales team still greet them by name, and Patti notes a distinctly hometown vibe has evolved throughout the community. "People always say hello in the lobby or the elevator, and if you're up on the rooftop deck, neighbours often sit and chat with other neighbours."

Has Brickwater converted Sy to a condo person? "If you're ever thinking of a move to Maple Ridge, Brickwater is the place to be," he says with enthusiasm. Sounds like two thumbs way up.

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