

Zimbabwe to take on new dimension

THE construction of a world class hotel, 10 Heritage Place Villas, to operate as a private residential club, 57 eye-catching apartments, 11 signature villas and 21 golf chalets in the Fairmont Zimbabwe project will add another dimension to the Zimbabwe Coastal Resort.

IFA Hotels & Resorts, a leader in the development of mixed-use resorts worldwide, has announced that G Liviero & Sons Building and Stefcron Projects were the main contractors for the initial phases of the multi-billion rand Fairmont Zimbabwe project.

The five-star, 154-suite hotel which will have conference facilities and a spa, is expected to be completed before Christmas 2009. The other developments at Fairmont have been earmarked for completion in the second quarter of 2009.

The main contract for the construction of the hotel, garden suites and condos has gone to G Liviero & Sons Building, while Stefcron Projects has been given the construction of the beach club, fractional units and certain residential sections.

Andre du Plessis, the commercial director of G Liviero & Sons Building, said they were proud to be associated with IFA Hotels & Resorts and the Zimbabwe Coastal Resort near Balitlo. "We delighted to have been selected as the principal contractor," he said.



BACK: From left, Xavier Giannone, project manager, Andre Du Plessis, commercial director Liviero, Calvin Wright, director, Stefcron Projects. **FRONT:** From left, Andreas Wassenaar, vice president, sales and marketing, Africa and Indian Ocean, Stephen de Fries, Stefcron Projects director, Wessel Witthuhn, vice president, Africa and Indian Ocean, Elliot Nkosi, director, and Phil De Sylva, vice president, Operations, Africa and Indian Ocean

Stephen de Vries, the managing director of Stefcron Projects, said they had considerable expertise in the upmarket building sector and would help to ensure that the time frames for the project would be met, and that the exceptionally high standards for which Zimbabwe was renowned, would be maintained.

MEANWHILE there has been tremendous vibes concerning the Amabalengwe (spots of the leopard) proper-

ties at Zimbabwe.

Overlooking the sweeping fourth hole of Zimbabwe's Tom Weiskopf signature golf course, the 270 square metre split level units also boast magnificent sea views, and are sensitively positioned within the landscape taking into account Zimbabwe's strict environmental guidelines and embracing the distinctive Balinese influenced architectural language of the resort.

It is ready for occupation

and the units are priced from R3.9 million.

Amabalengwe has four semi-detached duet townhouses.

The units have Italian porcelain tiles, Maranti Emboya stained architraves and skirtings and double garages.

The kitchens incorporate the best of boutique design with travertine marble counter tops, brass corrosive resistant accents and locally hand crafted basins. Complemented by the unique cupboards, the Bosch gas hob and electric oven take centre stage in the kitchen which flows into the open plan living area incorporating a lounge and dining room. There are also covered and uncovered patio areas.

Each unit has been designed and landscaped in order to maximise the prime sea facing position and privacy.

IFA Hotels & Resorts Vice President of Sales and Marketing in Africa and the Indian Ocean, Andreas Wassenaar, said he was delighted by the buzz at the resort.

"Investing in properties in Zimbabwe is a great decision. Investors should stake a claim now before the price of building materials rises. Zimbabwe has set a benchmark in the property field, which has resulted in Zimbabwe scooping international awards in London for the past two years," said Wassenaar.

