

2 PORTER STREET, PRAHRAN

Ukiyo Offers Life in Artistry

Ukiyo, Chapter Group's latest development, has captured the energy of surrounding Prahran with its suspended forms and flowing pleats connecting it with the streetscape.

Occupying the corner of Porter, Percy and High streets, Ukiyo is immersed in natural light on all three sides. Terraces on each level make the most of the multiple outlooks, and give views from the city to the bay.

The building has 12 residences, spreading over half or full floors, with penthouses on the top three levels.

Ukiyo-e, a Japanese art movement often translated as "pictures of the floating world", inspired the project. "We understand how much value buyers place on connections to light and nature, and how views can transform the experience of the home," says Chapter Group director Dean Lefkos. Each apartment is unique and can be envisioned as its own floating world. The building presents as a sculpture within its surroundings, with each of the residential levels floating above.

Such thoughtful considerations of space and views are rare in boutique developments; here they are the result of a shared vision from the developer Chapter Group and the architect, K2LD. The two worked together to ensure Ukiyo is a work of art that sets a new standard for Prahran living.

The design aims to emphasise the relationships between movement, light and shade. The bold contrasts between materials and textures, held together by a strong defining line, reference the Ukiyo-e art style and create a harmony between the architecture and interiors in a truly liveable space. The kitchens take centre stage with vertical fluted timbers meeting natural stone splashbacks and benches, and in the bathrooms stone and ceramic contrast with black lines and fluted glass. Floor to ceiling windows showcase unobstructed views throughout, but they are particularly striking to wake up to in the bedrooms.

With elegant interiors and a mixture of luxury fixtures and finishes, such as Wolf appliances in the kitchen, each residence embodies the message of Ukiyo-e – where the ordinary is transformed into the extraordinary.

Ukiyo represents a deep connection between design and the cosmopolitan lifestyle of Prahran. The vibrant neighbourhood contrasts dramatically from day to night, inspiring the building's colour palette and use of materials both within the property and in the architectural facade. You only need to venture out the front door and walk towards Greville Street to find an abundance of cafes perfect for a late breakfast or brunch, before heading

to the iconic Prahran Market to browse some of the best produce the city has to offer. Melbourne CBD is only a short tram ride away, but Prahran offers a tailored selection of bars, from quiet local haunts to numerous cocktail bars and late-night venues.

Food options are also plentiful, with a wide selection of eateries and the best of Melbourne's restaurants only a short walk from Ukiyo's front door.

Ukiyo is also conveniently located near beautifully landscaped reserves. After work and on weekends, locals can be found enjoying the amenities of Albert Park and the lake. Closer to home, Fawkner Park has walking paths beneath the beautifully established Moreton Bay fig trees and lush lawns for picnicking. Numerous sports fields host regular matches, enhancing the park's already strong feeling of community. It's rare that such a harmonious residential project should deliver a vivid lifestyle in one of Melbourne's most sought-after neighbourhoods, but with Ukiyo, Chapter Group has done just that.

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