

POLO CLUB

BOCA RATON, FLORIDA

At the Polo Club of Boca Raton, Urban Design Kilday Studios provided master planning, site planning, hardscape design and tennis stadium design for this upscale planned unit development.

The intent of the community's developers was to create an inland community that would rival oceanfront living. The need to create an atmosphere of exclusivity was paramount. However, the site for the community presented several unusual challenges: it was irregular in shape, divided by canals, and split by two land-use density designations.

The master plan solves these challenges by providing complete privacy between the various parcels in the development, utilizing the dividing canals, lake system and golf course as buffers to create a series of quiet enclaves. The individual neighborhoods are connected by a landscape boulevard with a broad, planted median. Each neighborhood has its own individual identity while remaining a part of the overall community.

The centerpiece of the Polo Club is the centrally located 91,000 sq. ft. clubhouse. For added prominence, this facility was elevated sixteen feet to offer spectacular views across the fairways and lakes. Bridges provide access across a canal to a world class tennis facility of 30 courts and stadium which was the site of the 1987 and 1988 Virginia Slims Tournaments.

Client: Polo Club, Boca Raton
Site Area: 899 acres
Dwelling Units: 1,703
Density: 1.9 du/ac
Golf Course Designer: Karl Litten
Awards: 1989 Fame Award in Recreation / Amenities Land Planning 1989 Fame Award in Overall Land Planning / 1989 Aurora Award

