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Heritage Sands Offers Cape Cod's First New Oceanfront Cottage Community in 50 Years

DENNISPORT, Cape Cod, Mass. (Feb. 12, 2014) – "The Cottage" – that quintessential home for summertime memories across generations - has returned to the Cape Cod seashore. Heritage Sands, Cape Cod's first new oceanfront cottage community in more than 50 years, is now offering 63 smart, sustainable, and beautifully crafted cottages on nearly 8 acres overlooking Nantucket Sound – prime beachfront real estate that for decades has been the exclusive domain of coastal "McMansions" and trophy homes. At prices starting around \$350,000, beachfront ownership is again within reach.

Set among the sand dunes of Old Wharf Road in Dennisport, Mass., these one-, two- and three-bedroom homes combine classic architecture, hurricane code coastal construction, smart design, energy-efficient systems, and the community fabric that has defined "cottage living" on Cape Cod for generations.

"It's a place where kids play on the beach, track sand in the house, and make friendships that last a lifetime, not just a summer. It's Nantucket Sound sunrises, seashell collections, and decades of scrapbook memories," said developer Rob Brennan, who attends to every detail of Heritage Sands with business partner Mark DeWitt. "It's what a 'place on the Cape' has meant to families for generations."

The oceanfront cottages, which range from 900 to 1,350 square feet, are clustered around common greens to create the same type of "pocket neighborhoods" that were created in Cape Cod's original cottage colonies, as camping sites in the 1930s evolved into family-owned cottages. Crushed shell paths wind toward 600 feet of private beach that is dotted by fishing jetties and feature a private neighborhood launch for kayaks and Sunfish. For those who prefer their water less salty, Heritage Sands will offer a gated private pool for residents and their guests. Adjacent to the pool and covered veranda, a clubhouse will feature a catering kitchen and common lounge for larger neighborhood gatherings and private parties, and a fully-equipped gym.

The CapeBuilt ™ cottages are as strong as they are beautiful with state-of-the-art kitchens, roomy living spaces, lofts, fireplaces, vaulted ceilings and spacious covered front porches ideal for socializing with neighbors and enjoying the calming ocean breeze. Cottages feature cedar shingle siding, which is both a signature of Cape Cod architecture and a long-lasting, efficient insulator. The homes are designed and constructed to withstand hurricane-force winds, and employ sustainable design and construction practices. At the core of each cottage are factory-engineered frames that dispel any preconceived notions of modular construction.

In setting the stage for this cottage renaissance, Heritage Sands worked closely with town officials, business owners, and residents of the neighborhood to create a new "seasonal resort" zoning provision aimed at preserving neighborhood character and securing the continued viability of cottage communities for the next 100 years.

"With efficient land use, this project brings families and neighbors together in affordable second homes," Brennan said. "The second-home market seeks a sense of nostalgia, community and history – a desire to return to a simpler time – but insists on smart economic value."

Dennis Town Planner Daniel Fortier anticipates that Dennisport's new cottage-friendly zoning will reap benefits for the town's year-round residents and businesses by bolstering second-home inventory and drawing cottage owners back to their "place on the Cape" throughout the year.

"Cottage colonies are springing up all over the country, favorably impacting the economies of towns in which they are located," Fortier said. "Dennis should share in the same benefit."

Dennisport is a popular Cape Cod retreat due to its mid-Cape location, sitting between the towns of Yarmouth and Harwich, ferries to the islands of Nantucket and Martha's Vineyard leaving from nearby Hyannis and the Cape Cod Rail Trail is just minutes away.

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