

# Capture a five-acre site near Elizabeth from only \$140,000, \$5,000 off today



**On the Home Front**  
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"You know how many homes would typically go on a site this big?" Realtor Jace Glick asked as we looked across a ridge top in Wild Pointe Ranch, over the piney expanse of Elbert and Douglas Counties to the Rockies beyond. "About 20."

Rather, this 5-acre lot has one attractive home with a walk-out basement and a barn-like shop that the owner uses for show cars. The architect was Karen Keating, one of Denver's best architects, and the setting is three minutes from grocery shopping and two from Legacy Academy Charter School, created as part of the development.

Today you can come see how close all of that is (Reserve at Wild Pointe Ranch is west of Elizabeth, 15 minutes from Castle Rock or Parker, 35 from the Tech Center); and tour the amenities that have already lured buyers for half of its 181 sites in just three years.

"This is a place where kids take off on bikes, catch crawdads or build a fort," Glick added. We drove into a swale where crews are filling a trout pond (30 days to aerate and a month for bio-prep before

rainbows are stocked); then up a butte to a gazebo residents will use for barbecues.

There are soccer and ball fields, community water, 300 acres of dedicated open space, 14 miles of trails, and fire hydrants. Those, along with the density, have been a hit with Elbert planners, according to Karl Nyquist of C&A Companies, developer. Neighbors, he adds, had dreaded the original plans by another developer who imagined densities four times higher.

With its Elizabeth Stampede rodeo, "Eliza-bash" and other parades and events, Elizabeth itself is part of the appeal.

"Go into the Safeway and see how many people say hello to you," Glick dared me, noting a Wal-Mart is coming to town, too. But despite the quality of the master plan, The Reserve is not a situation where you have to build within months of buying a site.

Come down, buy a lot (you can take \$5,000 off today with this column), either hold as an investment or build in five or eight years. You can choose from Meridian Homes, two custom builders (Aaron Lovelace of Western Classic showed me through a 4-bedroom spec, \$844,900, a few months from completion you can tour), or bring in your own builder.

Restriction, no; but design



**Jace Glick, exclusive agent for Reserve at Wild Pointe Ranch, shows off a home created on one the community's five-acre sites.**

controls, yes. Your five acres will have a building envelope for house, and barn for a horse or hobbies, guarantee-

ing plenty of space between homes in years ahead.

## IF YOU GO...

**Where:** Reserve at Wild Pointe Ranch, community of 5-acre sites with amenities west of Elizabeth, refreshments and \$5,000-off on lot contracts today. From Parker Road in Franktown, head on east Hwy 86 5 mi., just past the Elbert County Line, watch for the right turn at Legacy Ridge.

**Price:** 5-acre sites from \$140s, homes from low \$5s to \$8s

**When:** Today, 11 a.m. until 6 p.m.

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