

THIS WEEK'S AVERAGE BOSTON AREA MORTGAGE RATES *

FIXED RATES		ADJUSTABLES	
3.16	2.72	3.27	3.38
30 year +.01	15 year +.04	5 year no change	7 year +.02

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No. End condo: No end to luxury

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As the year inches toward fall, every Boston-area home buyer is becoming a speculator, in the sense that they're all ... speculating on whether to stay in the city and wait for a return to "normal" or settle in the suburbs.

There's a happy compromise, at the edge of Boston's North End of all places, at 234 Causeway St.

Unit 1010 at Strada 234, a 2003 condominium conversion, is

HOT PROPERTY really two spaces in one — an almost 3,000-square-foot, magazine-worthy interior coupled with a 1,200-square-foot terrace wrapped in lush garden beds with views of the harbor, North End, and the Boston city skyline. Crave outdoor living but don't want to give up walking distance to the best cannoli and the Hub on Causeway? This is it.

And this isn't your run-of-the-mill luxury condo, sleek and austere. This space is interesting, marrying more organic materials like reclaimed beams, custom flooring, and stunning stone work with floor-to-ceiling windows that wrap the home in almost endless views.

When dinner parties are a thing again, the open floor plan that combines the kitchen, living, dining, fami-

ly room, and access to the terrace, is an inspiring place for guests and conversation. Radiating out, the kitchen boasts three high-end Gaggenau ovens, three Sub-Zero refrigerators, and a 100-bottle wine cellar, in addition to a sizable breakfast bar, walk-in pantry, and designer cabinetry throughout.

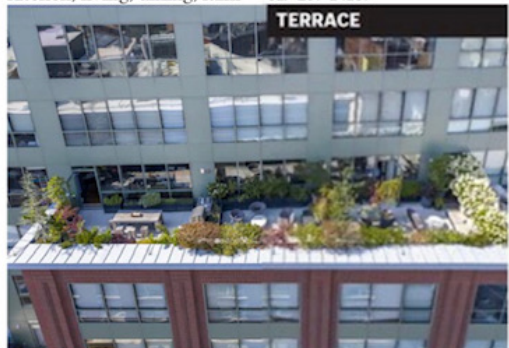
Smartly designed for family living, the four-bedroom condo places the lavish master suite and its attendant dressing room and master bath — a spa-like refuge with a view of the terrace that deserves 300 words on its own — on one side of the living space, and three bedrooms on the other, allowing for quiet and privacy.

The other thing not sacrificed with this particular condo living is storage space — you'll find custom closets throughout that work hard but look pretty, a laundry room with a double washer and dryer setup, and two separate storage units.

The sale of the condo, on the market for \$4,850,000 and which includes three deeded garage parking spaces, is represented by Tina Bacci with RESIS, LLC, at 617-257-1418.



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