



EURO - GLAMOUR

Claire Pilton looks at brand-new property in Austria, Italy, Portugal, France, Greece and Mallorca

QUINTA DO LAGO

With over 40 years of investment to its credit, Quinta do Lago (00-351-289 390 700) has saved the best until last with the release of San Lorenzo North. Bordered by the Algarve's Ria Formosa Nature Reserve, the 26 villa plots enjoy views across the San Lorenzo golf course and towards the Atlantic Ocean. Purchasers can build up to 25 per cent of their plots (compared with 20 per cent elsewhere on the resort) to a contemporary architectural design, as demonstrated by the show villa. This modern, pared-down look signals a new era at Quinta, where the average buyer age group has dropped ten years (to 45-55) since 2011. During that time €25,000,000 has been invested in the resort, with a further €21,000,000 allocated

over the next five years. Interestingly, two of the three British buyers at San Lorenzo North already own property within the 650-acre resort, where facilities include three championship golf courses, a tennis centre, water sports on the lake and two-mile beach, four hotels and eight restaurants. Plot prices range from €2,500,000 to €3,200,000, with building costs circa €2,000 per square metre. For those who can't wait, the €5,900,000 turnkey show villa offers 535 square metres of five-bedroom accommodation complete with a home spa, gym, games room and cinema; outside, the double-height covered terrace features a Portuguese marble swimming pool, barbecue table and fully serviced outdoor kitchen.

ST TROPEZ

€14,950,000 could see you and yours looking down over the Bay of St Tropez from a newly built residence in *Roule des Plages*. Occupying what Christie's International affiliate Michaël Zingraf (00-33-493 397 777) describes as 'a ravishing flat plot of land', this south-facing property extends to 650 square metres over three floors. It has eight bedroom suites, two formal receptions, a home cinema, wine cellar, fitness room, Jacuzzi and heated swimming pool; a one-bedroom caretaker's apartment affords 'lock up and leave' appeal.

