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TOP: The six penthouses perched atop Biscayne Beach on the 51st floor will feature private rooftop pools. **BELOW:** The pool at Brickell Flatiron sits on the 64th floor and features sweeping views of Biscayne Bay.

Skyscraper Swimming Pools

DEVELOPERS WANT YOU TO DITCH THE BEACH AND DIVE INTO MIAMI'S HOTTEST NEW ROOFTOP POOLS

As access to Miami's coveted beaches and coastline shrinks, developers are looking for new ways to compensate real estate buyers for the absence of sand and surf. Their solution? Redesign the average, run-of-the-mill lap pools into skyscraper swimming pools that offer residents sweeping vistas and unique amenities.

Ugo Colombo's **BRICKELL FLATIRON** project will feature a rooftop pool deck that's perched 64 floors above the skyline. (305.400.7400, brickellflatiron.com) Featuring 360-degree, unobstructed views of Biscayne Bay and downtown, the rooftop pool will offer residents a birds-eye vantage point, plus extra amenities in the sky like a spa and Pilates studio.

"Brickell Flatiron, like CMC Group's past developments, will spare no detail in pursuing the highest degree of luxury," says Vanessa Grout, president of CMC Real Estate. "From our SkySpa and rooftop pool deck to our private steam rooms, sauna rooms and cabanas, the building is geared toward Miami's most discerning buyers."

A residential development in the East Edgewater neighborhood, **BISCAYNE BEACH**, will feature six two-story penthouses outfitted with private rooftop

swimming pools and garden terraces towering 51 stories high. (305.767.1414, biscaynebeachresidences.com) The tower will also feature designs by celebrity interior designer Thom Filicia, from *Queer Eye for the Straight Guy* fame, as well as downtown's first private, members-only beach club including sand, cabanas and access to Biscayne Bay.

"For buyers around the world and across the United States, the Downtown Miami address has a growing caché," says Alyce Robertson, executive director of the Miami Downtown Development Authority. "The destination has joined the ranks of the world's elite cities, and it's exciting to see how much this cycle has differed from the last, in regards to the new features and amenities being incorporated as developers look to meet today's high-end consumer desires."

Other developments following this trend include Yves Béhar-inspired teepees perched high above downtown at Centro, a Rem Koolhaas-designed pool deck overlooking the water at **PARK GROVE** and spiraling glass towers by Bjarke Ingels topped by twin infinity pools at **GROVE AT GRAND BAY**.

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