

Victoria offers welcome break from winter

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Paul Arnold, a family doctor in Edmonton who is years from retirement, recently bought a three-bedroom condominium corner unit in Bayview Residences.

He has chosen one of the best views over Victoria's inner harbour.

When their condo is completed in June, he, his wife Ankur and their nine-year-old son will use the condo for winter breaks and summer vacations.

Arnold says he first heard about Bayview when he was staying in the area and was looking for an investment property. The superb location, views and quality of the building all sold him on Bayview.

"I had been looking for a while before making this decision. I had bought another place downtown and sold it because we preferred Bayview," says Arnold.

Arnold and his family fly out to Victoria on Friday evenings and back to Edmonton on Sunday evenings.

"With an hour and half direct flight from Edmonton, it is not too bad," he says. "It may be long distance, but at least if you invest in Canada, there are no tax problems."

Arnold prefers to invest in a condo unit rather than a house to be free of maintenance issues like yardwork, upkeep and upgrading. Arnold says the shared green space at Bayview is plenty.

His favourite feature is the "instant change of weather in winter." Ankur loves the shopping in nearby downtown Victoria. The Arnolds will retire to Bayview in a few years, and look forward to the other facilities to be built onsite, including a swimming pool.



Dr. Arnold and his family from their suite at Bayview.