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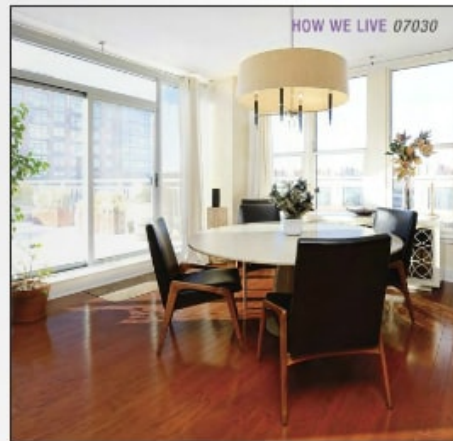
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THE FULLERS



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It's not the first time we've pressed our nose to the glass of Maxwell Place. And it probably won't be the last since this waterfront complex attracts all kinds of people with diverse lifestyles.

David and Shari Fuller were doing what a lot of folks who work in Manhattan do. They were looking to buy on the Upper West Side.

They discovered pretty fast what a lot of you reading this probably already know: There just isn't a lot of bang for the buck over there.

Ironically, they were already renting at the Sovereign. David takes it from here:

"Buildings on the Upper West Side within our budget were tiny co-ops with tiny kitchens and no parking." Then, one day he and Shari had a light-bulb moment. "She was pregnant with our second child. We were walking along the promenade, and we said, 'Hey, this is home. We like it here.'" It's no surprise that their epiphany took place on the promenade. "People were walking with kids, there were runners, a sailing school, and views you wouldn't get from the Upper West Side," David says.

They started looking, and the rest is history. They found a 2,000-square-foot unit with—get this—a 1,200-foot terrace, on the seventh floor. "The terrace is an extension of the home," David says. "It's bigger than a lot of people's apartments. We have lounge chairs and a planter. We have dinner out there



when it's nice in the summertime. The kids have a garden and grow lemons."

Inside the house, they have an open-style kitchen. "It's the best part of the house," David says. "There's an island with chairs around it, and everybody convenes there."

David likes to cook. He even takes classes, so they set up the kitchen for entertaining. "I was able to influence the design of the kitchen," David says. He installed a deeper sink and had a say in the choice of refrigerator, marble, backsplash, and wallpaper.

Originally, the condo had two bedrooms and a den, which they converted into three bedrooms. "I absolutely love the huge walk-in closets," David says. "Every room has massive closets. There are eight or nine closets in a three-bedroom house."

Their designer, Jenny Madden, helped them create a dining room space with a round, concrete, childproof table that comfortably seats six.

The unit has two and a half baths.

Transportation to the city is a breeze. They either take the ferry, which is a block away, or take the Maxwell Place jitney to the PATH, a 10-minute ride.

David and Shari were attracted by the "creature comforts" at Maxwell Place, which include a gym with physical fitness offerings, such as spinning and yoga classes.

They have two sons, Dillon, age 10, and—wait 'til you hear this—Hudson, age 5.

"We're between Hudson Street and the Hudson River," David explains. "It was either that or Washington."—07030