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Smart moves

Regency style down to a tee

LONDON is ringed with golf courses offering sanctuary from the capital's buzz. However, few offer the chance to buy a new home within such an auspicious architectural setting as **Sundridge Park** in the Bromley suburbs.

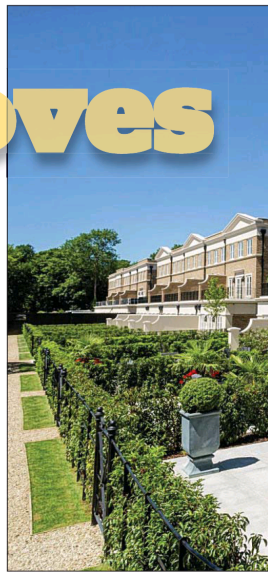
Drive through the main golf course entrance and along a wooded road running alongside the course to discover a listed John Nash mansion in grounds laid out by Humphry Repton, the eminent 18th-century landscaper.

Edward VII and Napoleon III attended shooting parties at the

estate, before a golf course was cut out of the valley. The mansion later became a successful hotel and conference centre, while a handsome crescent-shaped stable block has been converted into homes.

A Sixties-built lecture hall and accommodation block on a secluded site has been bulldozed to make way for 24 apartments, 14 townhouses, right, and two grand houses in landscaped gardens, all designed in the Regency style by Robert Adam, a favourite architect of Prince Charles.

Once weathered, the homes, by developer Millgate, will probably look as if they have been there for



centuries. Three-storey townhouses have an open-plan kitchen and family room opening on to a garden. A first-floor entertaining room looks out over a sun terrace.

Spacious apartments, with underground garages, form a



separate terrace behind the row of houses. Just up the road from the golf course, Sundridge Park station connects via a branch line to the South Eastern main line for trains to central London, 10 miles away. Prices start at £695,000 for an apartment,

£1.25 million for a townhouse and rise to £3.25 million for a showpiece detached house that sits at the end of a gated driveway.

Coming later are homes in the listed Nash mansion. Call Savills on 01689 869630.