

Kobisan Residences by Ser Mimarlık Wins Gold in A' Design Award

Ser Mimarlık Receives Gold A' Design Award for Topography-Sensitive Residential Development in Turkey

COMO, CO, ITALY, September 1, 2026 /EINPresswire.com/ -- The A' [Design Awards](#) has announced that Kobisan Residences, a residential development created by Ser Mimarlık, has been honored with the Gold A' Design Award in the Construction and [Real Estate](#) Projects Design category. This recognition places Kobisan Residences among a select group of works evaluated through a rigorous, blind peer-review process conducted by an expert jury panel. The A' Design Award is one of the world's highly respected and well-recognized accolades in the field of real estate and architectural design. By acknowledging the technical and contextual achievements of Kobisan Residences, this distinction underscores the significance of thoughtful, site-responsive design within the broader real estate industry.



Kobisan Residences

The Gold A' Design Award for Kobisan Residences holds relevance that extends beyond Ser Mimarlık, offering meaningful insights for the wider real estate and construction sectors. As urban development increasingly contends with challenging topography and the responsibility of shaping city skylines, the project demonstrates how development rights can be balanced with architectural sensitivity. Its approach to integrating intensive housing with natural slope conditions aligns with growing industry interest in context-aware design and sustainable land use. For potential residents and stakeholders, the development presents practical benefits including panoramic orientation, concealed parking, pedestrian-friendly landscaped grounds, and a centrally located social facility.

Situated approximately 60 meters above the city level, Kobisan Residences occupies a dominant site that directly influences the skyline. To moderate the visual impact of the 14-story development right, a sectional strategy divides the mass into a main upper block and four-story waterfront volumes, creating the perception of two separate buildings. Parking is concealed within the topography, while the ground level functions as a pedestrian-friendly landscaped environment. Drawing inspiration from traditional Turkish architecture, the design reinterprets principles such as adaptation to slope, orientation toward views, wide eaves, and terraced layouts within a contemporary residential setting. The lower-level social facility serves as the symbolic and spatial heart of the project.

The Gold A' Design Award recognition may inform future directions for Ser Mimarlık, reinforcing the value of terrain-adaptive and scale-controlled design methodologies. The project's success in addressing massing strategy, perceptual scale, and engineering challenges such as geogrid-reinforced retaining walls offers a reference point for similar sloped-site developments. This achievement serves as encouragement for the studio's team to continue exploring innovative and context-sensitive solutions, contributing to evolving standards in residential architecture without overstating its position within the field.

Project Members

Kobisan Residences was realized by a dedicated team at Ser Mimarlık. M.Arch. Serdar Ekizer led the project as project manager and contributed to the design team alongside Architect Emine Sarıbaş and Architect Bahar Çakır. The architectural project team included Architect Emine Sarıbaş, Architect Bahar Çakır, Architect Canan Kaya, Architect Emine Çınarka, Architect Hatice Bezci, Architect Sevim Demir, and Architect Betül Balkı, each contributing to the development of the residential design.

Interested parties may learn more about Kobisan Residences, view its features, and discover the designers behind the work at the dedicated page on the A' Design Awards website.

<https://competition.adesignaward.com/ada-winner-design.php?ID=182194>

About Ser Mimarlık

Ser Architecture, also known as Ser Mimarlık, was founded in 1999 by senior architect Serdar Ekizer and is based in Turkey. Since its establishment, the firm has undertaken numerous comprehensive and multifunctional projects, including residential developments, urban planning, commercial buildings, public facilities, educational and university buildings, as well as cultural and administrative structures. Recognizing the strength of teamwork, the firm considers interdisciplinary interaction and the dynamic exchange of ideas as one of the most important factors enriching design at every stage of a project. With a strong sense of professional responsibility, Ser Architecture approaches each project within its unique program, budget, and physical and cultural context, aiming to deliver high-quality and innovative architectural solutions. Through its rational, sensitive, innovative, and aesthetic designs, the firm has established a distinctive design identity while closely following evolving construction technologies.

About the Gold A' Design Award Recognition

The Gold A' Design Award is granted to designs that demonstrate a notable level of innovation and a meaningful impact on their intended audience. Within the Construction and Real Estate Projects Design category, evaluations consider criteria such as innovative use of space, sustainable design implementation, architectural excellence, integration with the surrounding environment, functional efficiency, and aesthetic appeal. Additional considerations include the inclusion of smart technologies, economic viability, adherence to safety standards, incorporation of green spaces, cultural sensitivity, and consideration of local climate. Recognized as a significant achievement by the A' Design Awards, Gold-honored designs are noted for their visionary approach and the technical skill of their creators. These works serve as benchmarks that encourage further innovation and inform standards within the design field.

About A' Design Award

The A' Construction and Real Estate Projects Design Award is a recognized competition for the construction and real estate industry, providing an opportunity for companies, designers, and brands to present their creative works and gain international recognition. Entries are blind peer-reviewed and assessed against pre-established evaluation criteria by a world-class jury panel comprising design professionals, real estate industry experts, journalists, academics, and practicing designers. The ultimate aim of the A' Design Award is to recognize and promote superior products and projects that advance and benefit society, driven by a philanthropic mission to help create a better world through the power of good design. Organized since 2008 and now in its 18th year, the A' Design Award is an international and juried design competition held across all industries, with participation open to entries from all countries. Interested parties may learn more about the A' Design Awards, explore jury members, view past laureates, and submit their projects at the following url: <https://realestatedesignaward.com>

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