

NURAI ISLAND RETREAT

Abu Dhabi, United Arab Emirates

Owner: Zaya LLC

Use: Full-Island Private Exclusive Resort.

Total Area: 281,000 sq. ft.

Services: Master planning, Architecture, Interior design.

Sand... Palms. Soft breeze...
Warm shallow waters of the
Persian Gulf... Secluded
dream island...

OS was honored to partake
in the invited international
design completion to
program, plan, and design
a private exclusive resort
located on the artificially
constructed island of Nurai.
Initial vision for the island
construction was developed
by the internationally-
renowned designer Dror
Benshetrit based in NYC.

OS's concept used a
metaphor of pearl-like
private villas carefully
arranged upon a Persian
rug of island's lush greenery.
Serenity, privacy, natural
beauty, unparalleled
amenities will be offered
to the most discriminating
guests.

Each villa's shape resembled
that of an oyster or a
scallop within undulating
ground plane shaped
to hide buildings and
emphasize beauty of nature.
Materials used were fossil-
rock representing seabed,
glistening like jewels tinted
glass, champagne-colored
metal roof curving softly
to resemble profile of a
scallop's shell.

Behind poetic vision hides
very pragmatic, sustainable,
technologically and
financially justified scheme.
Our local partners developed
extensive engineering
measures to allow for
remote infrastructure to
support six-star experience;
prevent island's erosion and
provide access by boat and
helicopter.



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Pearl-like private villas arranged upon a Persian rug of island's greenery

