

SWIMMING THE NEW YORK SKYLINE



'A chicken in every pot' is a fine thing-but for wealthy Manhattanites looking for something more, how about a pool on every balcony? For his project in the U.S., Singapore-based architect and developer Soo Chan has upped the ante on New York condominiums (which have already seen private parking garages and on-staff sushi chefs) with his Soori High Line, breaking ground this spring on 29th Street near 10th Avenue. The 11-story structure is loaded with deluxe features, including ultra-high ceilings, exotic wood finishes and gas-burning fireplaces. But it also has something no other condo has: Private outdoor pools are in 16 of its 27 units. The objective, says Chan, is "to introduce resort-living to the city"- a taste of balmy Southeast Asia amidst the bustle of West Chelsea. - *Ian Volner*