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Top Trends in Senior Living Design: Where Functionality Meets Sophisticated Style

As senior living becomes a prolific segment of hospitality design, key factors are guiding projects throughout the industry. Facilities are seeking practicality balanced with thoughtful, elegant touches that create engaging environments for residents and offer social spaces and entertainment opportunities for communities.

Location is an essential element in aged care design, and many of today's senior living environments occupy resort-style neighborhoods. In Tauranga, New Zealand, the Beach House at Pacific Coast Village is situated in one of New Zealand's top seaside holiday spots. With an idyllic year-round climate, the village offers a relaxed coastal lifestyle, a destination in and of itself and a restorative place to retire.

Another driving force in senior living and aged care is luxury design—balancing refined and distinctive style with thoughtful, practical touches that improve the lives of its residents. Whether in dining areas, entertainment centers, or in-room amenities, design firms are working with top brands to craft environments that are just as beautiful as they are livable. The group at Studio Design + Architecture was inspired by this concept when creating the interiors and exteriors at Pacific Coast Village. Within the Beach House, they used their hospitality experience to craft a central meeting place with an airy, open feel. The firm chose Cannes II Armchairs to punctuate the interior dining room and offer cozy seating on the outdoor deck with stunning views

of the property.

In addition to location and luxury, access to outdoor lounge and dining spaces has become a prominent, emerging trend in senior living design. As research increasingly confirms the therapeutic qualities of connecting with nature, exterior environments have become just as crucial and project-critical as the interior. At Pacific Coast Village, residents are treated with ample outdoor seating including Arbor Armchairs as well as Deauville II Grande Lounge Chairs, allowing them to take in the natural beauty of the Tauranga landscape.

In addition to the collections featured at Pacific Coast Village, JANUS et Cie offers a selection of seating specifically engineered for senior living applications. The Alta series has been skillfully modified with subtle dimension alterations—gently raised and widened seats, slightly shorter seat depth, and increased overall height—to meet the dimensional requirements for senior living.

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