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Location Objections

“The Area Is Too Far from the City Center”

That depends on what you consider to be the city center.

Dubai has not had a single center for a long time. Years ago, everyone focused only on Marina, Downtown, and Palm Jumeirah. Then areas such as Creek Harbour, JVC, and Dubai Hills emerged and developed into fully established communities with their own infrastructure and demand.

It is also important to understand that new communities are being developed differently today. They are more thoughtfully planned, modern, and comfortable for residents. Roads, green spaces, walking areas, parks, waterfronts, schools, retail outlets, and community facilities are all incorporated into the master plan from the beginning.

For example, Creek Harbour is a waterfront community developed by Emaar. It offers a calmer, greener, and more spacious lifestyle with a beautiful promenade, water views, views of Downtown, modern architecture, and an excellent living environment.

Dubai Hills is another example of a modern urban center, featuring Dubai Hills Mall, a large central park, a golf course, schools, healthcare facilities, and extensive green spaces.

JVC is a strong residential community with solid rental demand, convenient road access, supermarkets, parks, and connectivity to different parts of Dubai.

Meanwhile, Marina and Downtown are already mature and premium locations. However, they often have denser developments, heavier traffic, and less open space. Therefore, being in the "center" does not necessarily mean a better quality of life.

The key is not just the distance to Downtown. Investors should evaluate the quality of the community, infrastructure, lifestyle, and future growth potential. Well-planned communities often become the new centers of the city over time. This attracts a large number of residents, including those relocating from central areas of the city in search of a higher quality of life.

“It Takes Too Long to Get to Downtown”

Downtown is a prestigious and well-known location. However, it is also a mature and expensive market with dense development, traffic congestion, a high entry price, and less growth potential compared to emerging communities.

Dubai does not develop around a single center. The city continuously creates new lifestyle and business hubs.

At one time, Palm Jumeirah was considered distant and risky. Today, it is one of Dubai's most prestigious and expensive locations. The same happened with Dubai Marina, Bluewaters, Dubai Hills, and Creek Harbour. Initially, people said these areas were too far away. Over time, infrastructure, malls, hotels, restaurants, roads, and communities were built, transforming them into major destinations.

The same pattern is now visible in emerging locations such as Dubai Islands, Creek Harbour, Dubai South, Palm Jebel Ali, Meydan, and The Oasis. These are not simply residential developments—they are complete lifestyle destinations with roads, shopping centers, promenades, beaches, green spaces, schools, hotels, and entertainment infrastructure.

Dubai Islands is a particularly strong example.

In the future, Dubai Islands has the potential to become one of Dubai's leading waterfront destinations, similar to what Palm Jumeirah and Bluewaters became.

Why?

Because it combines all the elements that create long-term value:

- Waterfront living
- Beaches
- Hotels
- Residential developments
- Tourism demand
- Limited waterfront land supply
- Significant infrastructure investment
- A future shopping mall larger than Mall of the Emirates
- The first island with golf courses - a new level of connectivity to the mainland with key improvements of the issues seen in the previous developers

Most importantly, prices are still relatively accessible for a location with this level of potential.

Successful investors enter before an area becomes fully established and widely recognized—not after prices have already increased significantly.

Therefore, the question is not simply how many minutes it takes to reach Downtown. The real question is where the next city center will be in three to four years.

Buying in an already established location means paying for growth that has already occurred.

Buying in the right developing community means capturing future growth before it is fully reflected in prices.

The key is not to choose any distant location. Investors should focus on areas receiving substantial infrastructure investment, major developers, transportation improvements, retail projects, tourism demand, and rental demand.

It is also important to understand that Dubai is designed so that many prime communities are only 15–30 minutes apart under normal traffic conditions.

For example:

- Creek Harbour to Downtown: approximately 15 minutes
- Dubai Hills to Downtown: approximately 20 minutes
- Dubai Marina to Downtown: approximately 20–30 minutes

“There’s Nothing There Yet” / “The Area Feels Empty”

Today, the area may appear undeveloped. However, almost every successful district in Dubai looked exactly the same at one point.

People once said there was nothing in Dubai Marina. Today it is one of the city's most recognizable communities.

Bluewaters was once viewed as an uncertain concept. Today it is one of Dubai’s most prestigious locations.

The same was said about Creek Harbour. Today it is one of the strongest waterfront communities in Dubai and continues to grow.

Investors should not focus only on what exists today. They should look at where capital, infrastructure, developers, roads, and government development plans are heading.

Dubai grows through carefully planned development clusters. Areas initially appear empty, then roads, schools, shopping centers, hotels, restaurants, beaches, residents, tourists, and businesses arrive. By that stage, prices have already changed significantly.

Following this logic, some of today’s strongest emerging areas include:

- Dubai Islands
- Dubailand
- Dubai South

Dubai Islands is not simply a new community. It is a future waterfront destination with a development trajectory similar to Palm Jumeirah and Bluewaters during their early stages.

Many investors were skeptical about those projects in the beginning. Today they are among Dubai’s most valuable locations.

Dubai Islands is currently at a similar stage: the area is still developing, prices remain attractive, and major infrastructure including beaches, hotels, residential communities, a large shopping center, and supporting amenities are already planned.

The investments made today may appreciate significantly over the coming years. This is where investors often achieve their strongest returns.

A great broker does not simply show clients areas that are already completed and expensive.

A great broker identifies where the next growth cycle will occur and helps clients enter before the majority of the market.

“There’s Nothing but Construction Around”

Yes, it’s true — there is construction in the area.

However, in Dubai, construction is not always a negative sign. It should be viewed from a different perspective: if an area is being built, it means it is developing.

The real question is not whether there are cranes nearby. The question is **what is actually being built and rising**.

If the development includes roads, beaches, hotels, shopping malls, schools, parks, residential communities, and lifestyle infrastructure, then it is much more than just construction. It is the foundation of the area's future value.

By the time a district is fully completed, beautiful, and widely recognized, prices are already significantly higher. At that stage, much of the major growth has already taken place.

Experienced investors enter earlier — while the area is still developing, prices remain attractive, and most people are still uncertain.

The same pattern occurred with Dubai Marina, Palm Jumeirah, Bluewaters, and Creek Harbour. In the beginning, people only saw construction. Later, they saw completed communities, but by then prices had already increased dramatically.

Construction itself is not the issue. The real risk is construction without a clear vision or master plan. When an area is supported by strong infrastructure, major developments, and a well-defined growth strategy, that is often where the greatest opportunities emerge.

“I Don’t Think People Will Want to Live There” / “Who Will Rent There?”

People do not choose a place to live based solely on the area's name.

They choose locations that offer convenience, value, quality housing, infrastructure, parking, road access, retail options, schools, beaches, green spaces, and a comfortable lifestyle.

If a community provides those essentials, people will live there—regardless of whether it is as famous today as Dubai Marina or Palm Jumeirah.

At one point, people asked the same questions about Dubai Marina, Creek Harbour, and Dubai Hills. Today, those communities are highly occupied, rental demand is strong, and property values have grown significantly.

In Dubai, people move to areas that offer a better quality of life. When roads, shopping malls, beaches, hotels, restaurants, schools, and residential projects are developed, residents, tenants, and tourists naturally follow.

Who will rent there?

- Expats
- Families
- Professionals working in nearby districts
- People seeking waterfront living
- Tourists
- Renters who do not want to overpay for older, established areas where prices have already peaked

The real question is not whether people will want to live there. The question is whether the area offers compelling reasons for them to choose it.

If there are beaches, waterfront access, modern homes, strong infrastructure, reasonable pricing, and convenient connectivity to the city, demand will follow.

“It’s Too Far from the Beach”

Yes, the area may not be located directly on the beachfront.

However, not all rental demand in Dubai is driven by proximity to the sea.

For many tenants, factors such as affordability, property quality, apartment size, parking, road access, nearby shops, schools, and commuting convenience are more important.

Areas such as JVC, Dubai Hills, Arjan, and Dubailand perform well not because they are on the beach, but because they offer a comfortable lifestyle and better value for money.

These communities can also perform exceptionally well in the short-term rental market. In many cases, rental yields are actually higher than in beachfront locations because rental rates may not differ dramatically, while purchase prices are substantially lower.

As a result, investors benefit from a lower entry cost while still achieving strong rental income, often leading to higher overall return (example: Pearl House 1 & Pearl House 2)

“I Don’t Want to Invest in the Future — I Want a Ready-Made Location”

The first question is simple: **what is your goal?**

If your goal is simply to purchase property in a well-established area where everything is already developed and predictable, then a mature location may be the right choice.

However, it's important to understand what you're paying for. Prices in established districts are already high because much of their growth has already happened. In many cases, you're also buying into older developments, older layouts, dated finishes, denser communities, and less available space.

In other words, you're paying a premium not for future growth, but for a location that has already matured.

If your goal is to invest and achieve strong returns, the strategy is different. You need to enter locations where prices are still relatively accessible, but where development and growth are already clearly underway.

These are exactly the types of locations I am recommending.

With a lower entry budget than many established areas, you gain several advantages:

- Potential appreciation in property value
- Strong future rental demand
- The opportunity to resell at a higher price as the area develops

This means your return is not based solely on rental income. You also benefit from the area's growth, capital appreciation, and improved liquidity over time.

An established location represents yesterday's growth. A strong investment is entering a location where growth is only beginning.

“Tourists Only Want to Stay in Well-Known Areas”

It is true that some tenants and tourists prefer famous locations. However, they represent only part of the market.

Today, people are renting properties throughout Dubai—not only in Dubai Marina, Downtown, and Palm Jumeirah.

Areas such as JVC, Arjan, Dubai Hills, Meydan, and many others perform very well in both the short-term and long-term rental markets.

Why?

Because renters do not choose a property based solely on the area's name. They consider:

- Price
- Apartment quality
- A modern building
- Parking availability

- Swimming pools and fitness facilities
- Road access
- Overall convenience and lifestyle

JVC is a good example. It performs well in both short-term and long-term rentals. Rental rates may not be dramatically lower than in some of Dubai's more famous districts, while purchase prices are significantly lower (example Pearl House 1 & Pearl House 2)

For investors, this creates a compelling equation:

- Lower acquisition cost
- Strong rental demand
- Potentially higher rental yields

This is why it is important not to think in terms of “famous area or nothing.”

In Dubai, some of the strongest investment opportunities are often found in communities that are not yet the most famous, but already demonstrate solid demand, strong occupancy, and attractive returns.

Objection: “It’s Better to Buy a Resale Property / Ready Property”

“Why Should We Wait 2–3 Years? We Want to Move In and Live There Now”

If your goal is to move in with your family immediately, I completely understand. However, it’s important to honestly compare what you are actually buying.

A resale property in a desirable area of Dubai is rarely inexpensive. In many cases, you are paying a premium for a property that comes with older construction, dated finishes, lower ceilings, less efficient layouts, and a building that has already been in use for many years.

This is especially noticeable in older communities such as Dubai Marina. Many apartments show signs of age: outdated interiors, aging infrastructure, denser developments, limited parking, and heavier traffic. In some older buildings, residents may also encounter common maintenance issues associated with long-term occupancy.

Today, Dubai is developing a very different type of product: modern communities with contemporary architecture, higher ceilings, more efficient floor plans, larger windows, brighter interiors, premium amenities, landscaped green spaces, fitness facilities, swimming pools, and well-planned infrastructure.

This is not only about investment—it is also about quality of life.

When you step into a brand-new home, the difference is immediately noticeable. Even a standard apartment often feels more modern, spacious, and enjoyable to live in.

There is also something valuable about being the first owner. You are not inheriting someone else's renovations, maintenance issues, or property history. Instead, you are creating a home that is entirely your own.

Having spent considerable time in Dubai, I see the difference between older and newer properties every day. In many cases, it can make more sense to rent for a period, wait for the completion of a strong new project, and then move into a home that offers a significantly higher standard of living.

We can assist with rental arrangements and all practical aspects during that period.

Buying an older property simply because it is available today is not always the strongest long-term decision. The cost of renting will be compensated by the capital appreciation of your new off plan property during the construction period.

Sometimes, waiting a little longer allows you to secure a new home, a growing community, modern infrastructure, and an asset that is stronger both for personal use and future resale.

“I Want to Invest and Start Renting It Out Immediately”

A completed property can generate rental income right away—that is true.

However, the challenge is that you are typically buying at a much higher entry price. The area has already matured, the building is complete, and the current owner has already factored their profit into the asking price.

You begin receiving rental income immediately, but you are entering the investment at a higher cost.

There is another consideration as well: resale properties often come with older finishes, aging buildings, higher maintenance costs, less efficient layouts, and greater competition for tenants.

Today's tenants in Dubai increasingly prefer newer developments with modern designs, attractive lobbies, quality amenities, parking, swimming pools, fitness centers, and a contemporary lifestyle environment.

The option I am proposing is stronger from a long-term investment perspective.

You enter the market at an earlier stage, before prices have fully appreciated. As the area develops and infrastructure expands, the value of the property has the potential to increase significantly.

Rental demand can also become stronger because you own a modern property in a growing location where infrastructure, amenities, and community life continue to improve.

If you eventually decide to sell, you may be able to exit at a substantially different price point.

In other words, your returns are not driven solely by rental income. You also benefit from capital appreciation, future rental demand, and potential resale profits and you don't pay the full amount upfront instead you benefit from an interest free payment plan offered by the developer.

This creates multiple sources of value rather than relying on rent alone.

“With a Resale Property, I Can See the Actual Apartment”

That’s true — one of the advantages of a resale property is that you can physically visit and inspect the apartment before making a decision.

However, it’s important to understand what you are often seeing.

In many cases, you are looking at an aging product: older finishes, an older building, lower ceilings, dated infrastructure, parking challenges, and a community that may no longer feel as modern as newer developments.

You are also buying a property that has already been lived in. It comes with its own history, previous owners, and years of wear and tear.

With a new development, you are purchasing a completely new product: a new building, modern finishes, contemporary layouts, high-quality materials, attractive lobbies, premium amenities, landscaped green spaces, swimming pools, fitness facilities, and a newly planned community.

If the concern is whether the project will actually be completed, Dubai's real estate market is significantly more regulated than many other markets around the world. Buyer funds are held in regulated escrow accounts, meaning developers cannot simply collect funds and disappear. When the right developer and project are selected, the risk is substantially reduced.

We do not recommend projects randomly. We evaluate the developer, legal documentation, location, construction progress, and long-term development plans for the area.

So yes, with a resale property you can see the apartment today. But often, you are seeing an older apartment in an older building within an older community.

With a quality off-plan project, you are purchasing a modern product designed to remain relevant and desirable for years to come.

“I Don’t Want to Buy Based on Renderings”

And that's completely understandable.

No one should make an investment decision based solely on attractive renderings and marketing materials.

We certainly do not recommend purchasing a property simply because the visuals look appealing. Renderings are only a presentation tool. They should never be the foundation of the investment decision.

Instead, we evaluate the factors that truly matter:

- The developer's reputation

- Their completed projects and track record
- Construction quality
- Delivery history and timelines
- Legal documentation
- Location
- Floor plans and layouts
- Pricing
- The overall investment fundamentals

If a project relies only on beautiful visuals, it is not a strong project and should be avoided.

However, when a project is backed by a reputable developer, a prime location, a clear master plan, strong documentation, efficient layouts, and the right pricing, then you are not buying a rendering—you are investing in a future completed asset.

Dubai's regulatory framework provides additional protection. Buyer funds are placed into project escrow accounts, preventing developers from misusing funds.

The question is not whether the renderings look good.

The question is what stands behind them.

Our role is not to sell presentations. Our role is to filter out weak projects and identify the opportunities that offer genuine value.

“It’s Better to Buy a Cheaper Ready Property”

Sometimes a ready property is indeed cheaper.

The more important question is: **why is it cheaper?**

In Dubai, quality resale properties in strong locations rarely sell at a substantial discount without a reason.

In most cases, lower prices are linked to factors such as:

- An older building
- Outdated interiors
- Less efficient layouts
- Lower ceilings
- Unattractive views
- Aging infrastructure

- Higher service charges
- Building management or maintenance issues

Even in established communities such as Dubai Marina, older buildings may experience issues such as humidity, odors, aging common areas, outdated elevators, parking limitations, and increased maintenance requirements.

On paper, the apartment may appear less expensive.

In reality, you may be purchasing a property that you would not personally choose to live in.

Cheaper does not always mean better value.

Sometimes it simply means lower quality.

A new development may appear more expensive initially, but in return you receive:

- A new building
- Brand-new finishes
- Modern layouts
- Contemporary amenities
- Attractive infrastructure
- Stronger tenant appeal
- Easier resale potential
- A more enjoyable ownership experience

The value is not only in the property itself, but in the quality of the product, the lifestyle it offers, and its long-term marketability.

“I Can Negotiate a Better Price on a Resale Property”

That’s true. Negotiation is often possible in the resale market.

However, we negotiate with developers on behalf of our clients every day.

The difference is that you approach a developer as an individual buyer, while we approach them as a company that regularly brings clients and maintains strong relationships with many developers.

Because of this, we often have access to opportunities that are not available to the average buyer, including:

- Additional discounts
- Better payment plans
- Preferred unit selection

- Registration fee incentives
- Exclusive promotions and offers

Negotiation is not limited to the resale market.

The difference is that, in the primary market, we negotiate directly with the developer rather than with a private seller. Thanks to our volume and partnerships, we can often secure stronger terms than an individual buyer could obtain independently.

“You Can Find Distressed Sellers on the Resale Market”

That is true. Occasionally, a property owner may need to sell quickly, creating an opportunity to purchase below market value.

However, there are two important considerations.

First, genuinely attractive distressed deals rarely stay available for long. They are usually acquired quickly by experienced investors with immediate access to funds and strong broker networks.

Second, a low price often comes with a reason.

Before purchasing, it is important to evaluate:

- The condition of the property
- Building quality
- Renovation requirements
- Legal documentation
- Service charges
- Views and orientation
- Parking availability
- Future liquidity

Sometimes a property is discounted because it is a genuine opportunity. Other times, it is simply a weaker asset.

At the same time, strong opportunities also exist in the primary market. Developers frequently offer:

- Special discounts
- Limited-time promotions
- Attractive payment plans
- Premium unit selections
- Registration incentives and bonuses

The difference is that you are purchasing a brand-new property in a modern development rather than an older apartment with existing wear and maintenance concerns.

A favorable purchase price is not exclusive to the resale market. Developers can often provide highly competitive opportunities, especially when working through a brokerage with strong industry relationships and access to off-market or preferred offers.

“The Resale Market Looks More Attractive Right Now”

At first glance, it may seem that way.

However, many comparisons are made incorrectly.

People often compare the price per square foot of a 10–15-year-old apartment—with dated finishes, aging infrastructure, worn common areas, lower ceilings, and older building standards—to a brand-new project built according to modern specifications.

These are fundamentally different products.

Even in established communities such as Dubai Marina, it is common to find apartments with aging interiors, heavily occupied buildings, limited parking, dense traffic, and maintenance-related challenges.

A modern development offers something entirely different:

- Contemporary architecture
- Higher ceilings
- Better layouts
- More natural light
- Modern materials and finishes
- Attractive entrance lobbies
- Swimming pools and fitness facilities
- Landscaped green areas
- Better parking solutions
- A more thoughtfully designed living environment

The community itself also matters.

Many newer developments attract buyers entering the market today at current price levels, creating stronger communities and higher standards over time. As these areas continue to mature, both the environment and the overall quality of life often improve.

A resale property can absolutely be a good investment if it is a high-quality asset purchased at the right price.

However, a lower price alone does not automatically make it a better opportunity.

You should evaluate more than just the price per square foot. Consider:

- Building quality
- Location
- Interior condition
- Infrastructure
- Rental demand
- Liquidity
- Future growth potential

Only then can you make a fair comparison.

“I Want to Start Earning Money Immediately After Purchase”

In that case, the focus should not simply be on buying a completed property—it should be on selecting the right income strategy.

Some projects offer developer-backed income programs, such as a guaranteed 10% annual return for three years.

This means you do not need to wait for the property to be leased in order to generate income. The return is built into the developer’s offering from the start.

For example, if a property costs AED 700,000 and offers a 10% annual return, that equates to AED 70,000 per year.

Over three years, the total return would be AED 210,000—approximately 30% of the property’s purchase price.

At the same time, you are purchasing a new asset in a developing location with future infrastructure growth, increasing demand, and long-term appreciation potential.

This creates multiple benefits:

- Immediate income
- A modern property
- Potential capital appreciation
- Future rental demand
- Resale opportunities

If your goal is to generate returns from day one, buying an older resale property is not the only solution.

In some cases, a carefully selected new project can offer immediate income while also providing stronger long-term growth potential.

“I Don’t Trust Renderings and Showrooms”

That is exactly why we focus on the developer rather than the marketing materials.

We evaluate:

- The developer's completed projects
- Construction quality
- How their buildings perform years after handover
- Delivery history
- Client feedback
- Legal documentation
- Overall reputation

We do not sell pictures.

We evaluate the project itself, the developer’s track record, the quality of completed communities, the location, and the investment fundamentals.

If a developer is weak, even the most impressive showroom will not change that.

If a developer has consistently delivered quality projects and built a strong reputation over time, that becomes a much more meaningful indicator than any rendering or presentation.

The real decision should never be based on how attractive the marketing looks.

It should be based on the strength of the developer, the quality of the product, and the long-term value of the investment.

“I Want to See the Apartment Before Buying”

That’s understandable. Right now, you can’t walk into a construction site and see the finished apartment. That’s normal.

But we can evaluate other important factors: what the developer has already delivered, the quality of their completed projects, the documentation, the floor plans, and what will be built around the area.

Then we compare two scenarios:

- An older district with congestion, traffic, aging infrastructure, and prices that have already experienced most of their growth.
- A new district where Dubai is actively investing in roads, infrastructure, amenities, and future development.

So we're not only looking at what the apartment is today. We're looking at what the area will become tomorrow and why it makes sense to enter that market now.

“I Want to Understand Who My Neighbors and Community Will Be”

That's a very good question. The community has a major impact on quality of life and the future value of a location.

In older districts, many owners bought their properties years ago, often at very different price levels. The resident mix can be quite varied: some live there, some rent out their units, some have not renovated for years, and some buildings contain a large amount of aging rental stock.

In strong new communities, the situation is different. Buyers are entering at today's prices, with different expectations and purchasing power. They are not just buying an apartment—they are choosing a modern environment with security, green spaces, attractive surroundings, new buildings, schools, parks, restaurants, waterfronts, and quality infrastructure.

Examples include Creek Harbour, Dubai Hills, Dubai Islands, and Meydan. These are communities where a new standard of living and a stronger community profile are being established.

So the question is not only who lives there today. The real question is what type of community is being built and what kind of residents will continue moving into the area.

“I Don't Want to Wait for Appreciation — I Want an Asset Right Now”

An off-plan property is already an asset. The real question is: what kind of asset do you want to own?

An asset shouldn't simply sit in your portfolio. It should grow your wealth.

When you buy a resale apartment, in many cases most of the appreciation has already happened. The area is already established, prices are already high, the apartment is no longer new, and rental yields are often less attractive.

But if you enter the right emerging location at an early stage, the asset may appreciate much more significantly. You buy at a lower price, benefit from the area's development, receive a brand-new property and infrastructure, and later have the option to rent it out at a higher rate or sell it at a substantially higher value.

In the area I'm recommending, property values could multiply over time. Rental returns after completion are also expected to be stronger because the property is new, the area is developing, infrastructure is expanding, and demand is expected to increase.

So the question isn't whether the asset exists now or later. The question is the quality of the asset.

A resale property often gives you a mature product whose growth has largely already occurred. The right off-plan investment gives you an asset with the potential to significantly increase your capital.

Smarter Objections About an “Overheated Market”

“I Feel Prices Have Risen Too Quickly in Recent Years”

Yes, Dubai property prices have risen significantly in recent years. That's true.

But it's important to understand why.

In some markets, prices rise purely because of speculation, easy credit, or market hype. Those situations can create bubbles. Dubai's growth is based on different fundamentals: economic expansion, population growth, business migration, increasing tourism, infrastructure development, new communities, and capital inflows from around the world.

This is not a case where prices surged because of one isolated event and are destined to collapse. The growth trend began years ago and continues because the city itself continues to expand.

Furthermore, compared to many major global cities, Dubai remains relatively reasonably priced. Considering the lifestyle, safety, tax advantages, infrastructure, and overall quality of the city, Dubai does not appear significantly overvalued.

The key point is that not every area should be purchased blindly. Some locations have already experienced major price growth, while others still offer accessible pricing with substantial upside potential.

For example, Dubai Islands is a future waterfront destination that can be compared to Palm Jumeirah or Bluewaters in their early stages. The area is still taking shape, but beaches, hotels, residential communities, a major shopping mall, and new infrastructure are already planned.

“I Think It's Too Late to Enter the Market”

People were saying the same thing 5 years ago, 3 years ago, 2 years ago, and even last year.

In 2021, many said prices were already too high. In 2022, prices rose further and people said the same thing. Many waited for a correction that never came.

Why?

Because the market is supported by economic growth, population growth, business activity, tourism, infrastructure expansion, and Dubai's ongoing development—not just by emotions.

And this isn't unique to Dubai. In major cities worldwide, real estate tends to appreciate over the long term. Compare prices from 20 years ago with today, and the difference is enormous.

The real question is not whether it is too late. The question is which location you choose.

If you select an area where Dubai will continue investing in roads, infrastructure, beaches, shopping centers, transportation, and development, your capital can grow substantially.

Dubai Islands is one example. It is still in its formation stage, but it already has the characteristics of a future prime waterfront destination, similar to Palm Jumeirah or Bluewaters in their early years.

A good broker's role is not simply to show beautiful apartments. It is to understand where Dubai is heading, where government and developer investment will be concentrated, and where clients can enter before prices reach a completely different level.

“I Think Prices Are Detached From Reality”

That depends on what you compare them to.

Compared with major global cities such as London, Paris, New York, Miami, Singapore, Hong Kong, and Monaco, prime locations in Dubai are often significantly less expensive

At the same time, Dubai offers safety, a high standard of living, modern infrastructure, tax advantages, strong tourism, population growth, and a city that continues to develop rapidly.

So it is difficult to say prices are detached from reality across the board. The real question is which project and which location you are considering.

Yes, some properties are overpriced. Some areas are weak. Some developers and launches are overpriced relative to their value.

But when a location is strong, the developer is reliable, infrastructure is improving, demand is growing, and the area is part of Dubai's long-term development plan, the pricing may be completely justified.

Especially when compared to what those same locations could be worth several years from now.

“Rental Yields Aren't as Attractive at Current Prices”

That depends heavily on who is selecting the investment for you.

If a broker only shows areas where prices have already peaked, rental yields may indeed seem less attractive.

But if a broker understands where Dubai is expanding, where new infrastructure will be built, where roads, beaches, shopping centers, hotels, and demand are coming, then the opportunity can be much stronger.

In these locations, you don't earn only from rental income. You also benefit from capital appreciation.

For example, Dubai Islands today is similar to Bluewaters several years ago. Not everyone saw the potential then, and not every broker recommended it. Today, Bluewaters is one of Dubai's most expensive locations.

So the real question isn't whether yields are attractive. The question is whether the location has been chosen correctly. If it has, your capital may grow several times over.

“There Are Too Many New Launches. It Feels Like a Bubble or Too Much Competition”

Yes, there are many new launches.

But the number of projects alone does not mean a market bubble exists.

The real question is where they are being built, who is building them, and whether genuine demand will exist.

If a project is in a weak location, lacks infrastructure, has an unreliable developer, and no clear demand, then risk certainly exists.

However, strong locations can continue growing even when many projects are launched. People do not simply buy square meters. They buy location, waterfront access, beaches, roads, shopping centers, hotels, schools, infrastructure, and future demand.

Dubai's demand comes from around the world. People relocate here, businesses establish operations, tourism continues growing, and the population keeps increasing. New projects exist because the city itself is expanding.

The key is not to buy everything. You need to identify the areas where Dubai is actively investing and where the next major growth hubs are forming.

Dubai Islands is one such example. It is not simply another project launch. It is the creation of a new waterfront destination featuring beaches, hotels, residential communities, a large shopping mall, and modern infrastructure.

Many launches are not the problem. The problem is when a broker cannot distinguish strong projects from market noise.

“I Feel Developers Are Launching Everything They Can”

Some developers are indeed launching projects simply because market demand is strong.

But we do not operate on the principle of selling whatever appears on the market. We focus on projects with strong developers, strong brands, compelling concepts, quality architecture, excellent locations, and long-term liquidity.

Look at the level of projects we work with:

- Binghatti has developed branded residences associated with Bugatti and Mercedes-Benz.
- Reportage Properties is developing Brabus Island, a branded island concept rather than a standard residential project.
- Imtiaz Developments is delivering The Symphony, designed by Zaha Hadid Architects.

These are not random developments. They are projects with identity, design, branding, and a clear reason to stand out in the market.

An ordinary building can be forgotten a year after completion. A strong branded project stays memorable, is easier to rent, easier to sell, and easier to position to future buyers.

So the issue is not how many launches exist. The issue is which projects are worth choosing. Our focus is not on market noise, but on projects with genuine value and a compelling long-term story.

“The market looks too speculative”

Yes, in some segments the market is indeed speculative.

That’s why you cannot just buy “the market” anymore.

You need to select a specific strong asset: location, developer, price, liquidity, and growth potential.

“I’m afraid the market will cool down in a few years”

I would look at it a bit differently.

The market has already passed its hottest phase. A few years ago, in 2021–2022, there was a sharp surge, a lot of hype, and emotional buying. Today the market is different. It has become calmer, more mature, and is developing at a more stable pace.

So the question is not really whether the market will cool down. It has already cooled compared to the peak period.

The main point now is not to buy anything blindly. In any market, there are strong assets and weak assets.

We don’t operate on the principle of “just buy something in Dubai.” We analyse each project: location, developer, product quality, entry price, future liquidity, and rental demand.

A weak asset can perform poorly even in a strong market. A strong asset can perform well even in a quieter market.

“The best opportunities were 3–4 years ago”

In terms of price — yes, 3–4 years ago many properties were cheaper.

But that doesn't mean the best opportunities are gone. The market has simply changed: it is now calmer, more transparent, and more mature.

The UAE continues to develop actively, including Dubai. New districts, new projects, and new growth zones are emerging.

So the question is not "too late or not," but rather who you work with and what you choose.

With the right broker who truly understands the market, you can still find strong locations with significant upside potential. Examples already exist, such as Dubai Islands, where, with the right selection, the upside can still be substantial.

"Why is the starting price higher than nearby completed properties?"

Yes, that can happen: the starting price of a new project may be higher than nearby completed units.

But you shouldn't compare just "nearby."

Even in your own city, two buildings on the same street can have very different prices.

Why? Because one may be older, with simpler finishes, weaker infrastructure, and average service levels. While the other may be a new branded development with higher construction quality, modern layouts, better views, stronger amenities, and a higher overall living standard.

Yes, a new project may take time to complete. But you are not only paying for square meters. You are paying for quality, liquidity, project level, and future potential.

Payments, Installments, and Banks

"Is it better to pay cash or use an installment plan?"

It depends on price, terms, and your goal.

If you have full cash available, you can negotiate better discounts or stronger terms with the developer. That can be a good option if the price is attractive.

But it is not always smart to put all your capital into one property.

Sometimes it is more efficient to use the same capital to build a portfolio. For example, instead of buying one unit, you could buy two or three in strong locations where you expect both price growth and rental demand.

Particularly interesting are projects where you can pay 20–30% upfront, and the rest after completion. In some cases, 60–70%, and sometimes even up to 80% can be paid post-handover.

Then the remaining balance can be refinanced with a 25-year mortgage at around 4%. If the rental income exceeds the monthly payment, this becomes a very strong structure: you invest only part of the capital, but still own an income-generating and appreciating asset.

So the goal is not just to buy property. The goal is to use capital intelligently.

“If I pay in installments, can there be delays or issues?”

If you cannot transfer money directly through a bank, it is not a problem.

We have trusted partners we have worked with for years. The process is immediate: funds are collected in your country and transferred either to us or directly to the developer at the same time.

So you don't wait days or worry about where the money is. The process happens simultaneously.

“If I delay a payment, how does the developer react?”

If the delay is small, it can usually be resolved.

We have strong relationships with this developer, and we are a key partner for them. In such cases, we can directly step in and negotiate.

We have already had cases where clients delayed payments and we managed to secure extensions without penalties.

The key is that the client remains responsive and continues payments. In that case, these situations are usually handled smoothly.

“Can I buy two or three units instead of one through installments?”

Yes, you can. And often it is even a better strategy than putting all your capital into one property.

If you have strong capital, you can allocate it across two or three investments instead of one, using installment plans.

Especially when we understand Dubai's growth direction and which locations will outperform. The goal is not just to buy property — it is to choose assets where capital can potentially multiply.

For example, you enter multiple projects with a small initial payment, pay the rest after completion, and later refinance part of it with a mortgage. Meanwhile, rental income helps cover payments.

This way, you are not locking all your money into a single apartment. Instead, you create several assets that appreciate in value and generate income.

What is better: a cash discount or a long payment plan?

It depends on the situation.

Sometimes developers offer a significant discount for a full cash payment, allowing you to buy at a lower price. If the discount is substantial, it can be very profitable.

However, an installment plan can sometimes be even more attractive because you do not commit all your capital to one property at once. You pay part of the amount now, while the remaining funds can be invested elsewhere.

In other words, instead of purchasing one apartment with your entire budget, you may be able to invest in two or three strong projects.

Therefore, there is no universal answer. Each project should be evaluated individually.

If the cash price offers a substantial discount, paying in cash may be the best option. If the payment plan is long and the project is strong, the installment option may provide greater overall returns.

Can rental income be used to cover post-handover payments?

Yes, it can.

If we are talking about a post-handover payment plan, the specific terms need to be reviewed. Rental income can be used to cover payments, but it depends on the installment amount and payment schedule.

With a mortgage, however, this becomes a more practical and straightforward strategy.

For example, if 70–80% of the property's value is due after handover, that amount can often be financed through a mortgage. Banks in the UAE have a well-developed mortgage market, and the government actively supports the sector.

For example, if a mortgage is obtained at approximately 4% interest over 25 years, the monthly payments can be quite manageable. If the property has been selected correctly, rental income may not only cover the mortgage payment but also generate additional profit.

We have our own mortgage department that handles the entire process and arranges everything on your behalf, so you do not need to worry about it.

In this model, you are not simply buying an apartment. You are acquiring a strong asset, financing part of it through a mortgage, and using rental income to help pay for the asset over time.

The most important factor is choosing the right property. If the property is weak, the numbers may not work. If the property is strong, this strategy can be very effective.

Can a developer charge penalties for late payments?

Technically, yes. A developer may charge penalties for delayed payments.

However, in practice, if the delay is minor and the client remains responsive, the situation can often be resolved.

We have an excellent relationship with this developer and are one of their key partners. In such cases, we can communicate directly with them and help negotiate a solution.

We have previously assisted clients who were late with payments by arranging additional time and preventing penalties from being applied.

The most important thing is not to disappear or stay silent. If you know in advance that a payment delay may occur, inform us immediately and we will help resolve the situation.

Can I negotiate with the developer if I temporarily cannot make a payment?

Yes, in most cases it is possible.

Because of our strong relationship with the developer, if the delay is temporary, we can step in and negotiate an extension or temporary adjustment of the payment schedule.

Can I sell the property before the payment plan is fully completed?

Yes, you can.

In many projects, it is possible to resell the property before the installment plan is fully paid off. Typically, around 30–40% of the property's value must be paid before the developer allows a resale.

The new buyer can either settle the remaining balance or continue making payments according to the existing schedule.

We assist with this process as well by reviewing the developer's requirements, determining the earliest resale opportunity, and helping find a buyer.

Can I purchase a property without a UAE bank account?

Yes.

A UAE bank account is not mandatory for purchasing property in the UAE. In many cases, payments can be made directly to the developer from another country or through approved payment channels.

However, if you plan to obtain a mortgage, receive rental income, or manage the property more conveniently, opening a UAE bank account is highly recommended.

Do foreigners and non-residents qualify for mortgages in the UAE?

Yes, they do.

The process is similar to most countries. Banks evaluate your income, documentation, and credit profile before making a lending decision.

Your income does not have to originate from the UAE. Income earned in another country can also be presented to the bank.

An important point is that once you have paid 20% of the property's value, we can begin the process of applying for a UAE residency visa. By the time you apply for a mortgage, you may already be a UAE resident, which often simplifies the process.

Our in-house mortgage department handles everything, including document review, bank selection, explaining the terms, submitting applications, and guiding you through to approval.

How much financing do banks usually provide for residents and non-residents?

Typically, UAE residents can receive financing of up to 80% of the property's value.

For non-residents, financing is generally lower, usually around 50–60%, although it can sometimes be higher for clients with strong income and documentation.

However, in our model, the key advantage is that once you have paid 20% of the property value, we can begin your residency application. By the time mortgage financing is needed, you may already qualify as a UAE resident, which often provides significantly better terms.

Our mortgage department manages the entire process, from document review to bank selection and final approval.

Can I take more than one mortgage?

Yes.

The limitation is not the number of mortgages but your overall financial capacity. Banks assess your income, existing obligations, and ability to service additional debt.

For a first mortgage, financing of up to 80% of the property's value is common, provided your financial profile meets the bank's requirements.

For a second mortgage, financing may be lower. In the best-case scenario, banks may provide around 70%, although 60% is more common.

This is why proper financial planning is important. Our mortgage department can assess your situation and determine how many properties you may realistically finance and under what conditions.

What are current mortgage rates in Dubai?

Mortgage rates in Dubai currently start from approximately 4% per year.

The exact rate depends on the bank, your income profile, and other eligibility criteria.

Our mortgage department submits applications to multiple banks, compares available offers, and secures the most competitive option for you.

How long can a mortgage term be, and what is the age limit?

Mortgage terms in the UAE can generally extend up to 25 years.

The available term depends on your age, income, the bank's policies, and the property itself.

Most banks prefer the mortgage to be fully repaid by the time the borrower reaches approximately 65–70 years of age, although specific requirements may vary.

Our mortgage department reviews your situation and helps arrange the most suitable repayment term and monthly payment structure.

What documents are required for a mortgage?

Requirements vary depending on the bank and how your income is documented.

Generally, banks require:

- Passport
- Visa or Emirates ID (if residency has already been obtained)
- Bank statements
- Proof of income
- Property-related documents

For salaried employees, banks typically review salary certificates, bank statements, and supporting income documentation. These documents may originate from your home country as well as the UAE.

For business owners, banks generally review company financials, turnover, business bank statements, and corporate documentation.

Our mortgage department benefits from strong banking partnerships, which often speeds up the process, reduces unnecessary paperwork, and allows simultaneous applications to multiple banks.

As a result, clients often have a higher chance of securing favorable mortgage terms than if they approached banks independently.

Can I get a mortgage for an off-plan property?

Yes.

Many people believe mortgages are only available for completed properties or projects that are at least 50% constructed. This is not always the case.

Thanks to our large network, dedicated mortgage department, strong banking partnerships, and excellent relationships with developers, we can structure the payment plan in the most effective way.

For example, it may be possible to arrange a structure where only a small portion of the property's value is paid before handover, while the remaining balance is financed through a mortgage after completion.

For example, you pay 20% before the property is handed over, and finance the remaining 80% through a mortgage over 25 years at a relatively low interest rate, starting from around 4% per annum.

This way, you do not tie up the entire amount at once. Instead, you secure a strong asset and then continue paying for it through a mortgage.

Can I buy through an installment plan and then refinance the remaining balance with a mortgage?

This is actually one of the most attractive strategies.

You enter the project through an installment plan, pay a relatively small portion before receiving the keys, and then finance the remaining balance through a mortgage.

For example, the structure can be arranged so that you pay 20% before handover and finance the remaining 80% through a 25-year mortgage at a relatively low interest rate, starting from approximately 4% per annum.

Three things are crucial for this strategy:

- The right property
- The right developer
- A mortgage plan prepared in advance

We have our own mortgage department and strong relationships with banks and developers, allowing us to structure this strategy in advance and guide clients through the entire process.

What happens if the bank does not approve the mortgage?

Theoretically, this risk exists, but in practice we significantly reduce it.

We have an experienced mortgage department and direct partnerships with banks. Even if the documents are not perfect, our specialists know how to prepare the application correctly, which banks are the most suitable, and how to maximize the chances of approval.

However, if the bank still does not approve the mortgage by the time the property is handed over, there are several alternatives.

The first option is to pay the remaining balance yourself.

The second option is for us to help arrange a quick resale of the property.

This is where an important point comes in. We do not recommend projects that have already reached their full growth potential. We focus on developments where the area continues to evolve during construction, infrastructure improves, and property values may increase significantly by the time of handover.

As a result, even if the mortgage is not approved, you still have an exit strategy: sell the property at a higher market value and potentially profit from the appreciation, despite initially investing only a portion of the purchase price.

How can I avoid making mistakes with an installment plan and overburdening myself with payments?

The key is not to choose an installment plan simply because it seems convenient.

You need to evaluate:

- The payment schedule
- How much is payable before handover
- How much remains after receiving the keys
- Whether a mortgage can be incorporated later

We select properties in a way that avoids placing excessive payment pressure on the client.

Most importantly, we focus on projects that remain highly liquid, meaning that if the client decides to sell at any stage, there is a strong possibility of exiting with a healthy profit margin.

The objective is not simply to buy through an installment plan. The objective is to purchase the right property—one that appreciates in value, remains liquid, and provides flexibility to exit the investment if necessary.

This approach minimizes risks and prevents clients from being trapped in an unsustainable payment schedule.