

TERRACED CONDOS

RASHT
IRAN

Project Credits

Client: Private
Program: Residential Condominium
Location: Rasht, Iran

Structure: Reinforced Concrete
Lot Area: 505 m²
Size (GFA): 295 m² (each condo unit)

Design: 2018 (Ongoing)

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The terraced layout is a spatial arrangement so logically and rigidly driven by the square footprint of the building and the 3 x 3 grid system, yet unexpectedly producing variety. In this four-storey condominium, each floor is entirely dedicated to one family, and the grid system divides each floor into 9 squares that house each different program. Squares are separated only by the subtle shifts in elevation, which rise gradually from the guest room / home office, through the communal spaces, to the master bedroom. Adjacent squares can be connected temporarily or even permanently according to the resident's preference, yet necessary privacy for bedrooms is always maintained by the difference in elevations as well as separating walls. Although the nine-square grid is an ancient typology, it has the capacity to be reinvented and re-explored; each time adapting itself to the need of the project, its program, and its context.