

The First World Tower 2



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Figures

Height: Architectural	236.6 m / 776 ft
Height: Occupied	209.3 m / 687 ft
Height: To Tip	236.6 m / 776 ft
Height: Helipad	236.6 m / 776 ft
Floors Above Ground	67
Floors Below Ground	2
# of Elevators	7

Facts

Official Name	The First World Tower 2
Name of Complex	First World Towers
Structure Type	Building
Status	COM
Country	South Korea
City	Incheon
Street Address & Map	991-88 Dong Choon-Dong Yeon Soo-Gu
Building Function	residential
Structural Material	concrete
Proposed	2004
Construction Start	2004
Completion	2009

Companies Involved

Developer	Gale International
Architect	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Design Kohn Pedersen Fox Associates; Kunwon
Structural Engineer	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Design Thornton Tomasetti• Engineer of Record Chang Minwoo Structural Consultants
MEP Engineer	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Design Cosentini Associates
Main Contractor	POSCO E&C
Other Consultant	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Façade ALT Limited

About The First World Tower 2

First World Towers is the first residential development to be realized in New Songdo City, an all-new sustainable community in a free-trade zone on the waterfront in Incheon, Korea. Housing 7,000 of the city's 65,000 residents, First World Towers contains 2,545 apartments and live/work spaces, as well as a health club, a daycare center, and a senior's center.

The complex was conceived as being an assemblage of distinct communities. An analysis of Korean social hierarchy (the Ma-Ui, the Dong-Ne, and the Yi-Woot) informed the organization of the First World Towers into four courtyard communities each of which is subdivided into three neighborhoods of approximately 200 households. The traditional Korean built environment also influenced the design, wherein circulation through palaces and gardens is characterized by repeated shifts in orientation and displaced axes. At the perimeter, gates and seven-story street walls provide a sense of enclosure, beyond which densely planted interior courtyards are viewed through large scale "urban windows."

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