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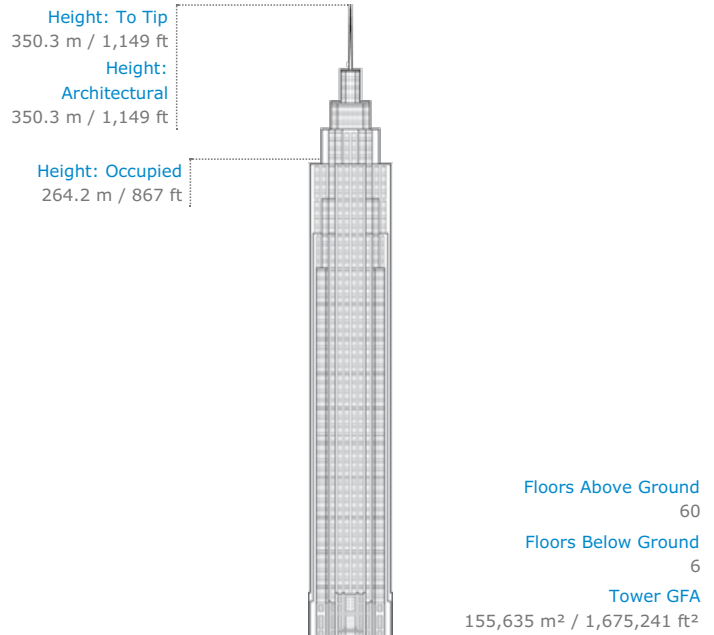
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The Pinnacle



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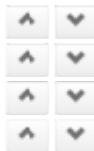
Facts

Official Name	The Pinnacle
Other Names	Guangsheng International Building, Grand International Mansion,
Structure Type	Building
Status	COM
Country	China
City	Guangzhou
Street Address & Map	Zhujiang West Road
Building Function	office
Structural Material	concrete
Proposed	2007
Construction Start	2008
Completion	2012

Rankings

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Global Ranking	#61 Tallest in the World
Regional Ranking	#36 Tallest in Asia
National Ranking	#30 Tallest in China
City Ranking	#4 Tallest in Guangzhou



Companies Involved

Owner/Developer	Guangdong Sheng Ming Real Estate Development Co., Ltd.
Architect	Guangzhou Hanhua Architects & Engineers
• Design	
Structural Engineer	Guangzhou Hanhua Architects & Engineers
• Design	
MEP Engineer	Guangzhou Hanhua Architects & Engineers
• Design	
• Engineer of Record	Meinhardt
Main Contractor	Guangzhou Municipal Construction Group JV
Other Consultant	
• Façade	Arup
• Interiors	City Group
Material Supplier	
• Sealants	Dow Corning Corporation

About The Pinnacle

The Pinnacle is located in the Zhujiang New Town development within greater Guangzhou, which is home to the city's purpose-built central business district. The tower's central location provides easy access to most of the surrounding city via bus and rail transit. Nearby green spaces offer a quick escape for the many employees working within the building's various offices.

The Pinnacle stands out from its neighbors through its neo-classical design. A series of setbacks and granite-clad vertical stripes recall historic design elements like the flying buttress. Whereas most new buildings in China are clad in glass, this building uses a mixture of materials including granite and metal to add variety and depth to the exterior. Their combined effect results in a tower that not only appears neo-classical, but also hints at art-deco and neo-gothic influences. These western design elements are not only apparent on the outside, but are carried through to many interior details as well – as seen in the rational, yet tastefully decorated elevator lobby.

Despite being inspired by the styles of old, the building employs state-of-the-art design components. Insulated glass keeps ultraviolet light out, while calcium sulfate flooring material prevents fires and damps excessive noise and static electricity. Energy-efficient lighting is also installed throughout the tower. These various systems have earned the building a LEED Gold certification.

The tower rises to a literal pinnacle, as a spire caps the structure after it narrows through a series of setbacks. Its unique design sets it apart

from nearby structures, including many of the towers both complete and under construction in the Pearl River Delta and China at large.

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