

Al Yaqoub Tower



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Height: To Tip
328 m / 1,076 ft
Height:
Architectural
328 m / 1,076 ft
Height: Occupied
293 m / 961 ft (est)



Floors Above Ground
69
Floors Below Ground
1
of Elevators
6
of Hotel Rooms
214
of Parking Spaces
362

Facts

Official Name	Al Yaqoub Tower
Structure Type	Building
Status	COM
Country	United Arab Emirates
City	Dubai
Street Address & Map	Sheikh Zayed Road
Postal Code	0000
Building Function	hotel / office
Structural Material	concrete
Construction Start	2006
Completion	2013

Companies Involved

Owner	Mr. Daro Saifuudin Yaquob
Developer	Remamco Real Estate
Architect	
• Design	Eng. Adnan Saffarini
Structural Engineer	
• Design	Eng. Adnan Saffarini
MEP Engineer	
• Design	Eng. Adnan Saffarini
Main Contractor	Arabian Construction Company
Material Supplier	
• Concrete	CCL
• Formwork	Doka GmbH
• Sealants	Dow Corning Corporation

About Al Yaqoub Tower

Al Yaqoub Tower stands out among the row of tall buildings flanking Sheikh Zayed Road, Dubai's main arterial roadway paralleling the coastline. The design began as a residential tower inspired by London's Elizabeth Tower, the famous clock tower built alongside the Houses of Parliament more commonly referred by the name of its bell, Big Ben. Dubai Municipality planners objected initially to the design, citing the clock face feature would be a distraction to drivers passing by on the busy roadway below and had encouraged the developer to construct the building instead in the Nakheel's International City development closer to Dubai International Airport.

The proposal however was eventually approved, and while the tower's form remained close to the original design concept, the clock face was removed from the plans. After construction began in 2006, a programming switch from residential to commercial use was made, stalling construction until the revised plans were finalized. Construction resumed and the building was completed in 2013, despite many other exuberant Dubai projects stalling or outright canceling construction during this time period due to a deep economic recession.

While the design initially received a fair share of criticism, it is also believed by some that the tower's uniqueness and ability to visually stand out will allow the design to stand the test of time and eventually be regarded as one of Dubai's better known landmarks, an icon of a period which saw tremendous growth to Dubai and the emergence of one of the world's most notable skylines.

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