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Dalian, China

Located in China's northeastern coastal city of Dalian, this 370-key hotel and 84-unit serviced apartment tower sits unobstructed overlooking the Yellow Sea to the south and China's largest public plaza, Xinghai Square, to the north. Reflecting its unique site, the building's design responds to both its physical and environmental context. The tower's triangular plan ensures that all rooms receive southern light as well as views of the sea and nearby mountain ranges. Additionally, the triangular form helps to mitigate the impact of the area's uniquely high winds, channeling them to the building's northern corners and minimizing the structural impact on the slender tower.

Programmatically, the hotel floors are stacked below the serviced apartment levels, enabling the core to telescope and creating the architectural "portal" along the north facade. Internal circulation is exposed on this face to provide all vestibules with ambient light and views of the park and skyline, while assuring a consistent lighting profile at night. The top two levels of the tower house the signature restaurant, offering unobstructed views in all directions.

The tower sits atop a four-level podium that houses large banquet, meeting, dining, fitness and spa facilities. The main dining facility connects the building physically to its beachfront location while other functions, including the entry plaza and lobby, are elevated to capture commanding views of the bay and adjacent park. The fitness center and spa open out to a series of south-facing terraces, which provide both afternoon sun and a visceral connection to the sea.

The tower's facade is composed of floor-to-ceiling highperformance glazing to maximize the views, and horizontal metallic sunshades are sized for solar protection and privacy. In contrast, the building's four-level podium is clad in a mixture of warm limestone, stainless steel and high-transparency glass that relates to the scale and materiality of the neighboring residential villas.

## Project Data

### SIZE

44 stories 1,075,300 sf total 874,000 sf hotel 159,300 sf apartment

#### FEATURES

370 keys 84 serviced apartments 2 ballrooms Meeting facilities 3 restaurants Fitness center Spa 225 parking spaces Interior Design: LTW Design Works

#### CLIENT

China Resources Land Limited (CR Land)

#### Recognition & News

RECOGNITION 2022 Silver Award, Hotel – Pro+ Awards

#### NEWS

GP Principal Travis Soberg Presents at BDwest Goettsch Partners Promotes De Santis to Partner