

Grant Associates part of winning design team for Australia's tallest building



Landscape architect Grant Associates was part of the winning team led by [UNStudio](#) and [Cox Architecture](#) to design [Southbank by Beulah](#) – an AUS\$2 billion mixed use development in Melbourne, Australia.

Known as Green Spine, the scheme will, subject to planning approval, see the construction of two twisting 'green' skyscrapers with the highest standing at 356.2 metres, making it Australia's tallest building.

The skyscraper will be topped by a publicly accessible garden space, while extended planted terraces will characterise the facing facades of the two towers as they twist towards each other.

Dutch architecture practice UNStudio teamed with Australian firm Cox Architecture, along with British firms Grant Associates, environmental design consultant Atelier 10 and engineer Arup, to win an international design competition to create the landmark development for Beulah International.

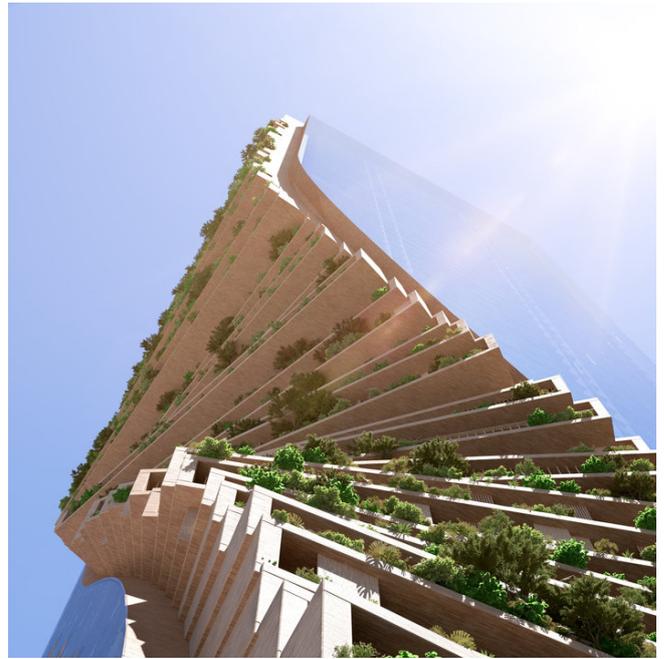
The taller of the two towers will be residential, with the mixed-use tower opposite accommodating office use, a hotel, restaurants and bars.

The scheme's design concept centres on the planted facades and outdoor spaces that will create a 'green spine' that connects with the public realm and stretches from the street to the top of both towers.

A podium connecting the two buildings will contain a school, daycare centre, library, cinema, auditorium and a BMW experience centre. This podium will be topped by a terraced landscape space for public amenity use.

“Our aim is for Green Spine to contribute to people’s sense of wellbeing by providing a series of innovative, planted terraces and spaces that allow a connection with nature, promotes biodiversity and establishes a unique urban ecosystem. At the city scale, Green Spine will create a striking vertical landscape and presence on Melbourne’s skyline. At the local scale, it will create a series of high-quality public and private amenity spaces and help root the development into the context of the Southbank precinct.”

— Keith French, director at Grant Associates



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Grant Associates has experience in all scales and types of ecological and landscape development including

strategic landscape planning, master planning, urban design and regeneration and landscapes for parks, housing, education, sport, recreation, visitor attractions and commerce.

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