

Graves 601 Hotel

Identification

EBN	100786
Name	Graves 601 Hotel
Alternative Name	Le Meridien Minneapolis, Le Méridien Minneapolis, Block E Entertainment Complex, Minneapolis Lifestyle Center, Renaissance Minneapolis Hotel
Construction Type	high-rise building
Current Status	existing [completed]






Location

Continent Name	North America	District (2nd level)	Downtown West
Country Name	U.S.A.	Postcode	55403
State Name	Minnesota	Address (as text)	601 1st Avenue North

Zone	Warehouse District	Main Address	601-627 1st Avenue North
Metro Area Name	Minneapolis-St. Paul-St. Cloud Combined Statistical Area	Side Address	600-630 Hennepin Avenue
City Name	Minneapolis	Virtual Address	1-31 6th Street North 2-30 7th Street North

District (1st level) Central

Description

Foundation System	pile foundation	Architectural style	postmodernism
Structural Material	steel concrete	Main Usage	 hotel  cinema
Facade Color	gray	Side Usage	 restaurant  dance club mercantile  parking

Spatial dimensions

Height (structural)	270.5 ft	Floors (overground)	22
Height (tip)	270.5 ft	Units	Buy full PDF
Height (roof)	252.5 ft	Parking places	550
Floors (underground)	2		

Years and costs

Year (construction start)	2000	Year (construction end)	2003
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Features & Amenities

- Public parking is available

Facts

- This is the tallest building completed in Minnesota during 2003.
- The name changed to the Graves 601 Hotel in July 2005.
- The Block E Entertainment Complex is located just to the east of the Target Center, home of the NBA's Minnesota Timberwolves and WNBA's Minnesota Lynx. Just to the south is the sprawling First Avenue Nightclub, made famous by the movie Purple Rain, starring Prince, a Minneapolis native.
- The Block E Entertainment Complex occupies the entire block bound by Hennepin Avenue and 1st Avenue North between 6th and 7th Streets North.
- Graves Hospitality Corporation announced in March 2002 that the hotel component of Block E would be the first Art + Tech property by Le Meridien Hotels in the United States, replacing Marriott's Renaissance Hotel brand.
- In 2004, Le Meridien Minneapolis was named one of the 100 best new hotels in the world by Conde Nast magazine.
- The public areas of the hotel were designed by Yabu Pushelberg and the hotel rooms by Real Studios.
- The Le Meridien Minneapolis Hotel is the tallest building in downtown Minneapolis west of Hennepin Avenue, and the tallest in the Warehouse District.
- The Hard Rock Cafe, public areas, and skyways to the Target Center and City Center opened in mid-September 2002, and the Le Meridien Hotel opened in April 2003.
- Before being primarily a vacant block, the Jewelers Exchange Building stood on this site.

Involved companies

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