

# Singer Building

## Identification

<b>EBN</b>	102519
<b>Name</b>	Singer Building
<b>Construction Type</b>	skyscraper
<b>Current Status</b>	demolished [destroyed]

## Location

<b>Continent Name</b>	North America	<b>Block Number</b>	<a href="#">Buy full PDF</a>
<b>Country Name</b>	U.S.A.	<b>Lot Number</b>	<a href="#">Buy full PDF</a>
<b>State Name</b>	New York	<b>Postcode</b>	10013
<b>Metro Area Name</b>	New York-Newark-Bridgeport Metro Area	<b>Address (as text)</b>	149 Broadway at Liberty Street, NW Corner
<b>City Name</b>	New York City	<b>Main Address</b>	149-171 Broadway
<b>District (1st level)</b>	Manhattan	<b>Virtual Address</b>	1 Liberty Plaza 1-27 Cortlandt Street 1-15 Church Street
<b>District (2nd level)</b>	Financial District		

## Description

<b>Structural Material</b>	steel	<b>Main Usage</b>	commercial office
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**Architectural style** second empire

## Spatial dimensions

<b>Height (structural)</b>	612.11 ft	<b>Height (roof)</b>	612.11 ft
<b>Height (tip)</b>	612.11 ft	<b>Floors (overground)</b>	47

## Years and costs

<b>Year (construction start)</b>	1906	<b>Year (construction end)</b>	1908
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## Features & Amenities

- One of the city's famous buildings

## Facts

- The Singer Building was constructed from September 1906 to May 1908.
- Plans to enlarge the Singer Company headquarters at Broadway and Liberty Street in lower Manhattan began in 1902 when the sewing machine company purchased properties to the north and west.
- A former design by architect Flagg was a thirty-five story tower, but the Singer company soon decided to nearly double that height with a tower of almost 600 feet.
- The tower was clad in red brick and bluestone.
- One of the reasons the tower was demolished is that it was viewed as obsolete and unprofitable, with its floorplates measuring only 19.5 meters across.
- Tallest building ever to be demolished by a company. Replaced by One Liberty Plaza, originally known as the U.S. Steel Building.
- World's tallest building from 1908 - 1909; surpassed by the Metropolitan Life Tower.

## Involved companies

Architect.....

**Ernest Flagg**  
New York City  
U.S.A.

## Additional company data available for this building

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