

Project: Surbana Jurong Campus

Design Team: Safdie Architects

Size: 69000 m²

Location: SINGAPORE



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Project - Safdie Architects has unveiled its newest masterpiece - the Surbana Jurong Campus, a sprawling 742,000-square-foot workplace that reimagines the traditional office building typology. Situated in Singapore's burgeoning Jurong Innovation District, the campus eschews the typical introverted office tower in favor of a more permeable, park-like environment designed to foster employee wellbeing.

The campus comprises 10 pavilions of varying heights clustered around a central pedestrian spine, blurring the lines between interior and exterior. By elevating the structures off the ground, the terrain beneath is allowed to flourish, enveloping the lower floors in greenery to achieve a "treehouse effect." This pioneering approach integrates the campus seamlessly into the landscape, providing workers with abundant access to natural light, fresh air, and verdant spaces.

Sustainability was paramount, with the project earning Singapore's highest Green Mark Platinum Super Low Energy rating. Innovative passive design strategies and integrated building systems minimize energy demands. But the campus transcends mere eco-friendly credibility - it defines a new community-centric workspace typology.

The publicly-accessible spine and amenities like a sunken courtyard, event spaces, and a 1,000-seat multipurpose hall transform the campus into a literal town square for the district. This ingenious interweaving of workplace, nature, and public realm make Surbana Jurong Campus a trailblazing exemplar of architecture prioritizing human-centric design.

Design Team - Safdie Architects is an internationally acclaimed design practice founded in

1964 by Moshe Safdie, driven by ideals of innovation and human-centric placemaking. Under Safdie's visionary guidance and that of the firm's principals, the studio has pioneered a humanistic design philosophy rooted in Safdie's powerful metaphor "For Everyone a Garden."

This ethos sees architecture as a generous act - crafting meaningful spaces that connect people to nature while catalyzing vibrant community life. Safdie Architects excels at translating these utopian aspirations into built form across diverse global contexts.

The firm's landmark works like Habitat 67, Yad Vashem Holocaust Memorial, and Marina Bay Sands have redefined typologies and raised the bar for integration with context. More recent gems like Jewel Changi Airport and Raffles City Chongqing showcase Safdie's mastery of united mixed-use programs and public realms within a single cohesive vision.

With a headquarter in Boston complemented by offices worldwide, Safdie Architects operates as a close-knit design collaborative. United by a commitment to ethical, research-driven design imbued with social responsibility, the team deftly delivers ingenious solutions responsive to human needs and local cultures. This rare alchemy of idealism and pragmatism defines Safdie Architects' enduring global impact.