

## Foster + Partners completes ‘fusion’ scheme in Vancouver

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Foster + Partners has completed its Jameson House project in Vancouver, Canada, which involved the restoration of a heritage building and a new 35-storey mixed-use tower.

The development comprises 11 storeys of offices and shops, topped by 23 storeys of apartments.

It integrates two 1920s Beaux Arts structures, the A-listed Ceperley Rounsfell Building – which has been returned to its original configuration – and the facade of the B-listed Royal Financial Building.

Contrasting with the flush facade of the offices, the residential floors curve outwards in four wide bays, which are staggered to allow daylight to reach neighbouring buildings and oriented to provide uninterrupted views of the landscape.

Lord Norman Foster said in a statement: “Vancouver has a spectacular location, surrounded by mountains and the sea. The design makes the most of the city’s fantastic natural setting, with balconies and deep bay windows looking out towards the landscape.”

Foster + Partners’ in-house engineering group – formerly PHA Consult – was behind the use of chilled floors and a mechanised valet parking system, which reduces the number of parking levels and associated excavation, lighting and ventilation requirements.