

JALAN AMPANG, KUALA LUMPUR

Client - Radiant Visions / Completed - 1997

The tree structures of this project lie at the heart of the entire project. This is from a structural aspect as well as architectural and the entire viability of the project hinges on these. The engineering system adopted where every four columns from above level three are transferred onto one column at level 1 creates a breath-taking structural feature at the bottom of this 21-storey structure. The tree structures sit in the lobby of the hotel and are celebrated as art installations in the space. The single column going down into the 3-basement floors reduces the structural clutter and adds to the efficiency of the floors therefore obviating the need for a costly and wasteful 4th basement. The building completed in Kuala Lumpur back in 1997 raised the bar in design responsive and ambitious structures in the region.

