

## Plans Revealed for 330-Meter Skyscraper in Melbourne

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Development giant Grocon and the Royal Society of Victoria have floated plans to deliver what could become Melbourne's tallest skyscraper, on one of the city's smallest lots.

The ultra-skinny 60-story apartment tower, known as the [Magic building](#), would stand at 330 meters on a triangular plot of land – approximately the size of a tennis court.

The new tower would sit next to the Royal Society of Victoria's double-story headquarters and a caretaker's cottage, both of which are heritage-listed.

If realized as planned, the Magic building could become the nation's tallest skyscraper.

Decibel Architecture will design the apartment tower, which will also double as a science engagement precinct.

"Magic, at 1 Victoria Street, will be the most innovative, most sustainable, tallest possible reach-for-the-stars proposition we can create," Decibel Architecture's Dylan Brady said.

According to the development team, the skyscraper is feasible from an engineering perspective, with the next steps hanging within planning approval.

There are various heritage and planning overlays that would require approval from Heritage Victoria, the federal government, and the Victorian state government.

If approved, construction partner Grocon would aim to deliver the project at minimum necessary returns to enable most of the profits to go to the Royal Society of Victoria's perpetual endowment fund for projects and awards.

The bespoke tower will offer high-end apartments, each with floor space of about 250 square meters. Profits from apartment sales will be injected back into the Royal Society to help promote science in Victoria.

"We look forward to working with the various authorities and stakeholders to realize this vision for the Royal Society of Victoria and its future," a Grocon spokesperson said.

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