

JW Marriott Austin

Austin, TX

The JW Marriott Austin is an upscale boutique hotel in downtown Austin. Situated on an open fifth level terrace, a deck featuring a pool and amenities offers guests multiple options for outdoor activity.

Providing the backdrop for the deck is a series of green wall columns, planted with vines, along the south facing façade of the building. Private cabana rooms are nestled within the columns, while chaise lounges offer more social seating out on the open deck. The various lounging areas are located around the pool and outdoor bar. Raised and flush planters, canopy trees, and an outdoor fire pit all provide interest for users. Open, flexible-use space is available via an artificial turf-lawn function space on the western side of the deck.

The design of the deck spaces is accentuated by attention to details and materials, such as the use of plants with interesting textures, cool paving, and attractive landscape lighting. The amenity deck is a flagship feature of the JW Marriott Austin Hotel.

Client

White Lodging

Size

1,071,953 SF

Dates

2013 - 2015

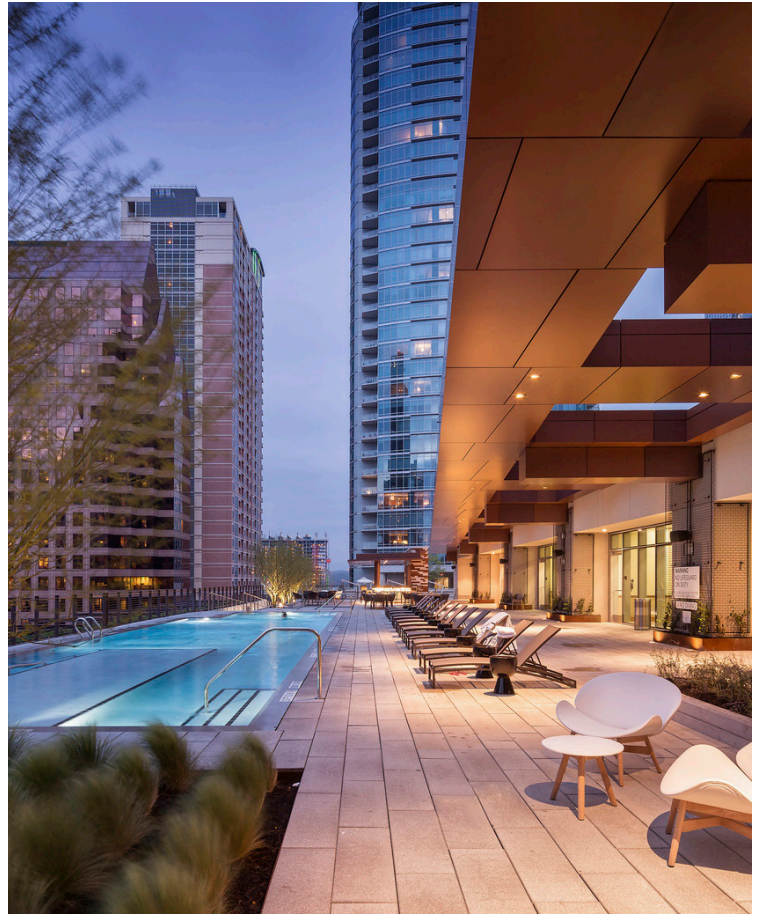
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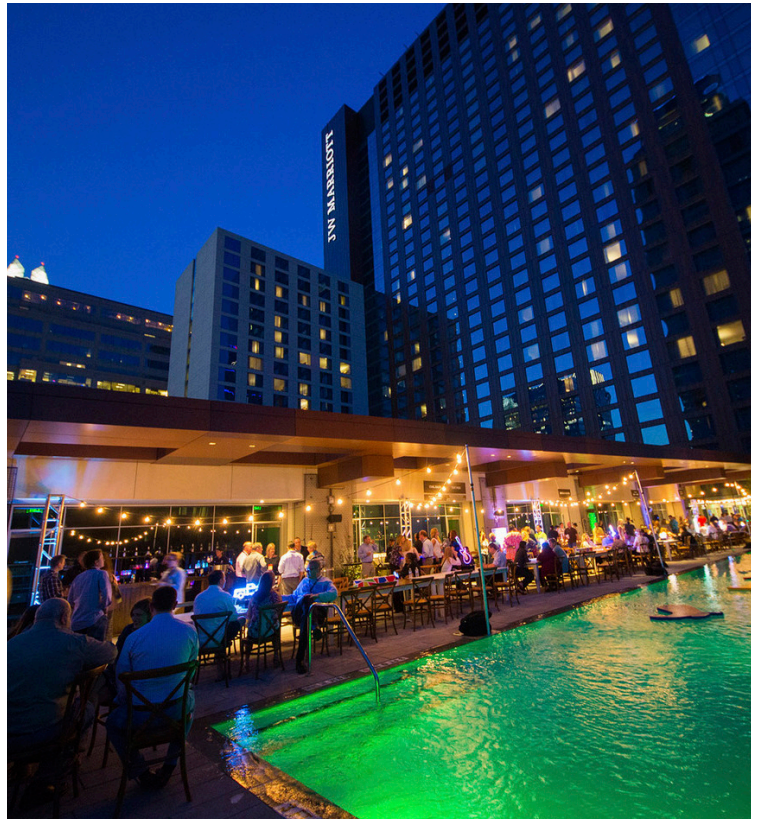
LEED

Silver









The luxurious amenity deck provides guests with ample space to connect in a resort-style environment.





Sustainability

A 53% reduction of total water is achieved by the project having a 20,000 gallon rainwater storage tank. The water needed for irrigation is reused.



WATER

The project has a 20,000 -gallon rainwater storage tank, which offers a 197% reduction of potable water and a 53% reduction of total water.

100% of the water needed for irrigation is reused.



PLANTING

Nine Palo Verde trees were planted.

100 % adaptive plant species were used.

Plants are allowed to go from seed to flower life.

The project avoids annual planting.

Low water usage planting was selected, including Desert Museum, Mexican Feather Grass, Russian Sage, Rosemary, Star Jasmine, Carolina Jessamine, and Japanese Yew.



SOCIAL

The project supports alternative modes of transportation.

The project provide optimum site accessibility, safety, and wayfinding.

According to Facebook, 62,707 people have been here. From 150 reviews, the J.W. Marriot received a collective score of 4.5 stars out of five. On Four Square it is ranked as one of the top 15 pools to swim at in Austin.

The pool responds to the pride of the state with a giant outline of Texas inscribed on the bottom.



ECONOMICS

The site developed from a vacant parking lot to a 4-star hotel, increasing the property values in the area.

800 + jobs were created by opening the hotel.

*The tree average for water interception is 500 gallons. American's use an average of 100 gallons of water per day (EPA's water trivia facts).

**120 pounds of CO2 per tree annually (This number is based on an average from the National Tree Benefits Calculator) One car produces an average of 8,320 pounds of CO2 per year (The Code of Federal Regulations - 40 CFR 600.113).