SWA provided landscape architectural services for Shanghai Tower, the tallest building in China. The design creates Tower Park to complement the building’s iconic form and function, connect the mixed-use project with its urban neighborhood, and provide a variety of beautiful settings for public gatherings and celebrations.

The project’s LEED-Gold certification requires 33% green cover—a unique challenge given the size of the building and amount of hardscape involved. SWA designed an informal greenbelt and a park connecting to an adjoining property, yet 90% of the landscape is on-structure. Features include an event-center roof garden, a sunken garden that includes a bamboo island within a water pool, and dramatic sky gardens for each atrium that repeat plantings in a vertical pattern to draw the eye skyward and accentuate the tower’s unique open-ended spiral form.

**Location**  
Shanghai, China

**Client**  
Shanghai Center Tower Construction & Development Limited Company

**SWA Scope**  
Landscape architectural services

**Size**  
Site - 30,370 SM  
Tower - 600m tall

**Architect**  
Gensler

**Green/LEED-Rated Design Elements**  
Designed for LEED Gold