

## Trump International Hotel & Tower - Toronto, Ontario, Canada Project Summary

A new Trump International Hotel and Tower opened on January 31, 2012, in downtown Toronto. A Trump press release noted the following:

"It has been a great pleasure to work with Talon Development and the talented team at II BY IV Design Associates, who have brought so much of their own personal passions to the project in a shared quest to create Toronto's finest hotel. They have spared no tail nor expense to achieve their final vision," remarked Ivanka Trump, executive vice president of development and acquisitions of The Trump Organization.

Champagne and caviar are the inspirations behind the interiors. "Every space has been kept neutral so that it takes on the character of the activity within it," said Dan Menchions, partner of II BY IV Design Associates, Inc. "It is the people that inhabit this hotel -- the employees and guests -- who provide the color." Arriving at the porte-cochère, guests encounter one of the hotel's few displays of color: an expansive 500,000-tile wall mosaic that immediately sets Trump Toronto's multicultural tone. From up close, the work entitled "A Small Part of Something Larger" by Canadian artist Stephen Andrews discloses a textural pattern of porcelain, glass, stone and gold, yet when the viewer stands back, a scene unfolds of a stadium filled with cheering people.

Once inside, white semi-precious onyx panels – hand-selected by the developer from a quarry just south of Milan – grace the walls of the lobby, serving as a serene backdrop for a palette of Champagne and caviar. Flooring of laser cut granite inlays feature a design that repeats in a variety of forms throughout the hotel. A glance upward reveals an antiqued, beveled Italian mirror mounted on the ceiling. Upon check-in, guests step into elevators that continue the lobby's floor design behind enameled inlaid doors.

Black lacquered doors open to expansive guest rooms and suites, the smallest of which is 550 square feet. Flooring varies from brushed oak Taormina wood to one of two carpet patterns: one a two-tone stripe and the other a monochromatic gray and charcoal damask. Marble bathrooms feature deep soaking tubs; walk-in glass showers with generous 14" rainfall shower heads; black lacquered custom vanities; in-mirror TVs; and cantilevered shelves with black, charcoal and gray painted backsplashes.

With soaring, 18-foot ceilings to match its sweeping city views, the hotel's signature Stock Restaurant is located on the 31<sup>st</sup> floor of the tower. Herringbone wood flooring in warm gray fumed oak complements the restaurant's color scheme of gray, ebony and charcoal. The ballrooms and their anterooms on floors 9 and 10, as well as the hallways on all floors are carpeted in tons of cream, gray and charcoal.

### MAPEI's Products in Use:

The challenge was to provide high quality old world-style craftsmanship on a very tight time line. MAPEI offered a quick solution to this equation by providing quality fast-track products built into a series of system installations; The results were exceptional as all projects moved forward on schedule.

- Ground Floor Industries (GFI) used *Mapecem Quickpatch*, *Primer L* and *Novoplan 2* to bring the subfloors into compliance with leveling requirements throughout the 600,000 square feet of floor space.
- Broadway Hardwood Flooring installed the wood flooring in all the suites (~300,000 square feet) using *Ultrabond ECO 975* premium wood flooring adhesive.

- Approximately 50,000 square feet of rolled carpet in the hallways and ballrooms/anterooms was laid with *Ultrabond ECO 185*.
- York Marble performed all the beautiful tile work seen throughout the hotel.
  - They applied over 80,000 square feet of *Mapelastix AquaDefense* to waterproof the bathrooms.
  - The tiles in all common areas except the lobby were set with *Ultraflex 2* and grouted with *Keracolor U* (~280,000 square feet total).
  - The intricate tiles in the lobby were set with the *Kerabond/Keralastix* mortar system and also grouted with *Keracolor*.
  - The installers set the tiles in the guest and residential bathrooms and showers with *Ultraflex LFT*.

This high profile project has brought a luxurious, top-tier hotel to the Toronto cityscape.