



# BEIJING-HANGZHOU GRAND CANAL MUSEUM

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Client	Zhongbei Town Government
Service	Architecture Design
Type	Cultural Building
Location	Zhongbei Town, Xiqing District, Tianjin
Scale	290,000sqm
Time	2009

Zhongbei Town along the Beijing-Hangzhou Grand Canal Tianjin Part was once one of the royal ferries. Based on the historical sites, the construction of the new town and museum connects the past, present and future of the canal. Through the design of roof and ramp, the interior and exterior of the building are harmoniously integrated. We focus on the creation and adjustment of internal microclimate. And the use of classic architectural form makes the Museum a landmark along the Canal. The ramp rises gradually around the atrium which is surrounded by many cubic "villages", and alleys and small squares finally come into view. By diverting the canal, half of the ring-shaped building and cubic villages is floating on the water. The interior floor appears to be flooded, which presents dramatic and refracting effect. The effect might even make the museum less connected to the Grand Canal.











