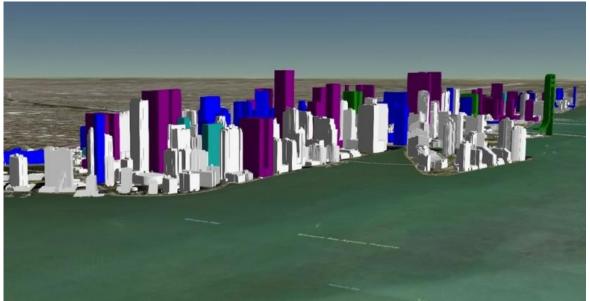


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Interactive 3D map shows present and future Miami skyline

The Downtown Miami Interactive 3-D Skyline Map lets users see the status of every downtown office, retail, residential, and hotel project.

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Screenshot of the Downtown Miami Interactive 3-D Skyline Map, which depicts what the city's skyline could look like after all of the planned, proposed, and under construction projects are finished.

Miami is becoming more and more like New York, and that's not just due to the migration between the two cities, or the **influence** that New York developers have in **South Florida**.

No, Miami is filling out its skyline. With more than 100 new hotel, residential, office, and retail towers and buildings in the development pipeline (projects that could be considered planned, proposed, under construction, or recently completed), the Miami Downtown Development Authority (DDA) launched a **new interactive tool** to keep track of it all.

The Downtown Miami Interactive 3-D Skyline Map displays depictions of current buildings and the buildings in development on a satellite terrain of downtown Miami and the adjacent Brickell neighborhood. Clicking on a building will bring up a window that tells the address, neighborhood, developer, status, and project description, which includes features, numbers of units, and dimensions and square footage.

Some of the most notable new developments include the Zaha Hadid-designed **1000 Museum**, which is currently under construction; the hairpin-shaped **Skyrise Miami** entertainment and observation tower planned for the waterfront; the 4.9-acre Patricia & Phillip Frost Museum of Science





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that's under construction; and the proposed **One Bayfront Plaza**, an 80-floor tower that will have 700 condos, 620 hotel rooms, and 650,000 sf of office space.

Users can adjust the times of day to see how sunlight and shadows hit buildings. The map also shows zoning boundaries and the routes of the Metrorail rapid transit system.

The DDA will update the map each quarter as buildings are completed and as new projects are announced. The organization has another **2D map** that plots all of the projects in development.

Miami certainly has a lot of real estate activity going on. The Miami Herald, which reported in October that the downtown building boom **would soon be ending**, wrote in late March that the city was beginning a **hotel boom**. Four new hotels will be built downtown by 2018.

The *Wall Street Journal*, meanwhile, reported that Miami is **on the verge of a condo bust** as sales have slipped and inventory tanked. The leak this week of the Panama Papers, which revealed offshore financial dealings, will also **hurt Miami's luxury condo scene**.

The Downtown Miami Interactive 3-D Skyline Map can be accessed **here**.



Miami's skyline in 2016.



Miami's skyline after projects in development are completed. Click images to enlarge.

