The Gherkin



The Gherkin was completed in December 2003. It is 180 metres tall and has 40 floors! The building was designed by Norman Foster who also designed City Hall, the Millennium Bridge and Wembley Stadium!

On 21st February 2007, the Gherkin was sold for an amazing £630 million! The building today is used as offices but also has a restaurant on the 39th floor.

Did you know?

The full name of the Gherkin is actually **30 St Mary Axe**.



The bottom of the tower.



Work began on the Gherkin in March 2001

<u>What a view!</u> The building is so big that it can be seen from the M11 motorway over 20 miles away!

<u>Green Gherkin</u>

The Gherkin was designed to be very environmentally friendly and only uses half the power of other towers like it.