

# Showcasing Architectural Creativity: The Glass Skylight at the Solow Building.

Located at the bustling intersection of Central Park and Midtown Manhattan, the Solow Building, is a striking example of modern architecture.

#### **Architect:**

Skidmore, Owings & Merrill

**Customer:** 

Benchmark Builders, LLC

**Products:** 

Steel and Glass

**Manufacturer:** 

Circle Redmont

## **Opportunity**

Situated at the lively crossroads of Central Park and Midtown Manhattan, 9 West 57th Street, popularly known as the Solow Building, exemplifies modern architecture and is a key feature of New York City's skyline. This remarkable 49-story tower serves not only as a commercial hub but also as a testament to the city's architectural innovation and dynamic urban culture.

Designed by architect David Childs of SOM, the Solow Building features a sleek, minimalist look with a granite and glass facade. Its slanted entrance pillars create a bold, inviting impression.

## Solution

After years of serving the community, the building underwent significant renovations that enhanced its functionality and appeal. One of the standout features of these updates is the installation of a stunning circular glass skylight. This architectural marvel allows natural light to flood into the lower-level fitness center, transforming what was once a storage space into a luxurious amenity.

<u>View</u> more Solow Building photos in our website gallery.

The skylight, designed by SOM, features reinforced glass and spans an impressive 34-foot diameter. It serves not only as a source of natural light but also as a stunning focal point, embodying the perfect blend of form and function.







### **Outcome**

At GBA, we take immense pride in our role in creating the stunning glass skylight at the Solow Building, collaborating with Benchmark Builders, LLC and Circle Redmont to ensure every detail met the highest quality standards. This skylight not only enhances the building's aesthetic but also embodies our commitment to innovative architectural design. Standing at 9 West 57th Street, the Solow Building is a testament to New York City's pursuit of architectural excellence, featuring distinctive design, vibrant art installations, and recent renovations that make it a must-see landmark for both locals and visitors.



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