

## PROJECT PROFILE

**Multifamily I Residential, Sunset Pavilion  
Pacific Palisades, California**

**Designer:** tko structure

**Completed:** 2017



## PROJECT SUMMARY

The Edgewater Tower condos along the Pacific Coast Highway (PCH) in southern California is an iconic cliff residence with incredible sweeping views of the Pacific Ocean. An outside gathering area for tenants had an aging structure – pavilion and gazebo – that needed to be replaced. The architect on the Home Owners Association (HOA) had originally looked at replacing the structure with Ipe or thermally modified wood, but maintenance was a huge issue for the HOA board and

no one wanted to pay for repainting or staining each year. A smooth surface and reduced splintering were also important for a public space that gets a lot of use year-round.

The popular flowering vine, Bougainvillea, grown mostly in tropical or subtropical climates had grown on one side of the gazebo to create a tunnel from the living area to the gazebo to the ocean walkway. Since the plant is popular in southern California it was important to keep the vine as intact as possible offering a dramatic visual.

The new design, driven by [tko structure](#), was carefully considered. While many designs were considered, the final structure was more traditional with a contemporary wood product, Accoya. Accoya wood was used for the deck, siding, baluster, and canopy for the pergola structure.

This was the first [Accoya wood](#) project for tko structure and it won't be the last. "I've been wanting to use Accoya wood for the last six years, that's when I first heard about Accoya," said Terrance O'Rourke, owner of tko structure. "Accoya is uniform, light weight, and I love to work with it. It is the perfect material for the salt, sea, and sun along the California coast."

Since tko structure finished the pergola, it has used Accoya wood for a cable railing project and wooden screens.

