

THE MARKET PLACE

FACT SHEET

WHAT: One of Southern California's most popular retail centers, The Market Place is a 165-acre regional center with exciting shopping, dining and entertainment. Conveniently located off the Santa Ana (5) Freeway, The Market Place has more than 120 stores, restaurants, cafes and theaters that straddle the cities of Irvine and Tustin.

SQUARE FOOTAGE: 1.6 million square feet

WHEN:

Phase I in Tustin
1988 - 400,000 sq. ft. of home improvement and furnishings/decor
1989 - 240,000 sq. ft. of soft goods, apparel and electronics
1990 - 120,000 sq. ft. of restaurants, services and a six-screen Edwards Theater

Phase II in Irvine
1996 - 420,000 sq. ft. of stores, restaurants and a 10-screen Edwards Stadium Theater

Phase III in Irvine
1999 - 420,000 sq. ft. of stores, including Target, Lowe's Home Improvement and numerous restaurants

UNIQUE FEATURES:

- * A central fountain near the Tustin Edwards Theaters is a formal design with a traditional water bowl that spills over into a water basin below, as seven whimsical frogs sit on the edge and spout water into the fountain.
- * A second fountain is located by the Edwards Theaters on the Irvine side, and features water that playfully shoots up and cascades down in different computer-programmed patterns.
- * Located in the same courtyard off historic El Camino Real, a tile mosaic of a snake wraps around the fountain and pays homage to the area's Indian heritage.

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* The “bar of light” fountain is located near the Fountain Cafés at the newest phase of The Market Place. This linear fountain has small cascades of water that are lit at night, creating a beautiful “bar” of water that separates the parking lot from the food court and outdoor dining area.

WHO:

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