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DEVELOPMENT: China's Dalian Wanda Group is set to begin 2015 with a much bigger development pipeline, with it closing in on major sites in Sydney and the Gold Coast.

In its biggest play yet, the Beijing-based **group** controlled by billionaire Wang Jianlin is believed to be finalising negotiations to **buy** Gold Fields House fronting Sydney Harbour.

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Wanda will probably spend about \$400 million on the building, currently controlled by Blackstone and a **group** of pension funds, and convert it into a luxury **apartment** tower.

Blackstone this week said it was in talks with a party on the **site**, but the **group** and the agents on the deal, CBRE and JLL, have declined to comment further.

On the Gold Coast, The Weekend Australian can reveal that Wanda and another Chinese company, Ridong Group, have agreed terms to jointly develop a multi-billion-dollar resort at Nerang near the Commonwealth Games village. It will be the second Gold Coast development the groups pursue together, with Wanda joining Ridong earlier this year in the \$900m Jewel apartment and hotel complex.

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