

= Ridgedale Center =

Ridgedale Center , colloquially known as Ridgedale , is an enclosed shopping mall in Minnetonka , Minnesota , a western suburb of the Twin Cities . It is directly located off I @-@ 394 / US 12 between Ridgedale Drive and Plymouth Road (Hennepin CSAH 61) . Ridgedale Center comprises 1 @, @ 105 @, @ 337 square feet (100 @, @ 000 m2) of leaseable retail space , and contains approximately 140 retail tenants . It is currently owned and operated by General Growth Properties and anchored by JCPenney , Macy 's , Nordstrom and Sears .

Built in 1974 , it was originally anchored by Dayton 's , Donaldson 's , JCPenney , and Sears , before the first two anchors merged with other companies . The mall has undergone several expansions and renovations throughout the years , including the recent addition of a Nordstrom department store in 2015 . Considered an " upscale shopping center " , Ridgedale includes various luxury brands such as Michael Kors , Swarovski , and Tumi Inc ..

= = History = =

= = = 1974 ? 86 : Grand opening = = =

Ridgedale Center was constructed on 81 @. @ 3 acres of land in 1974 by the Dayton ? Hudson Corporation , becoming the Twin Cities ' fourth ' dale ' shopping center , following Southdale , Brookdale , and Rosedale . The original center comprised 1 @, @ 040 @, @ 000 square feet (97 @, @ 000 m2) of retail space , and was anchored by Dayton 's , Donaldson 's , JCPenney , and Sears , the former of which also developed the center .

Dayton 's announced plans in the early 1990 's to tear down their current location at Ridgedale , and replace it with a much larger location in the same mall ; these plans were also made at the other ' dale ' centers , like Southdale and Rosedale . However , these plans were eventually scrapped and never occurred . In 1996 , Dayton 's opened up a second anchor store at the center ; this new store focused on men 's clothing and furniture , while the original location changed focus and became centered on women 's and children 's clothing ; the two stores were differentiated by their new titles , " Men 's & Home Store " and " Women 's and Children 's Store " .

= = = 1987 ? 2006 : Dayton 's , Marshall Field 's , and Macy 's = = =

In 1987 , Donaldson 's announced the discontinuation of their chain of stores , which would shut one of the mall 's original anchors . Instead , Donaldson 's merged with local department chain Carson Pirie Scott . The 128 @, @ 395 square feet (12 @, @ 000 m2) Carson Pirie Scott store would also eventually leave Ridgedale Center , in 1995 . Mervyn 's , a California @-@ based department store , announced interest in the former building , but never opened , despite opening locations at Pirie Scott 's former locations at Brookdale Center , Eden Prairie Center , and Rosedale Center . In 2001 , Dayton 's merged with Chicago @-@ based Marshall Field 's , which merged with Macy 's in 2006 .

= = = 2007 ? present : Renovations and Nordstrom = = =

In early 2007 , Ridgedale underwent a multimillion @-@ dollar renovation to " freshen and brighten " the mall , with the use of " all @-@ new lighting , flooring , and paint . " The renovation also included the addition of new restrooms and seating areas . Completion of the renovation process occurred later that same year . The center was also briefly mentioned in the commercially successful 2007 film Juno .

In 2009 , Nordstrom announced plans to open a location at Ridgedale in 2011 ; however , these plans were later cancelled due to General Growth Properties , the mall 's owner , filing for bankruptcy . This announcement came with the closure of the Macy 's Men 's & Home Store . Later

in 2013 , Nordstrom confirmed plans to open up a 140 @,@ 000 square feet (13 @,@ 000 m2) department store at Ridgedale by 2015 ; these plans allowed Macy 's current anchor of 202 @,@ 000 square feet (19 @,@ 000 m2) to grow into a larger , 286 @,@ 000 square feet (27 @,@ 000 m2) location . The current Macy 's Women 's & Children 's Store was expanded to provide additional space for the combination ; during this process , a major fire occurred at the construction site , delaying the construction by several weeks .

On June 4 , 2015 , deconstruction of the Men 's & Home Store occurred , to make way for the new Nordstrom store , plus an additional 85 @,@ 000 square feet (7 @,@ 900 m2) of leaseable space , presumably for upscale retail and dining options . This expansion was evaluated at \$ 50 million , according to General Growth Properties . The Nordstrom location officially opened on October 2 , 2015 , followed by a grand opening ceremony .