

# World's Tallest Waterslide Now 17-Stories High

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Today on Engineering Newswire, we're scanning balloon dogs, rescuing swimmers with robots, protecting our wine collections, and riding the world's tallest, wettest, fastest waterslide. Today's episode includes:

- **Rescue Robots Saves Swimmers:** Pars, an aerial robot designed by RTS Research, has been tested to show that it is not only faster but more efficient than a traditional lifeguard.
- **Tall, Wet & Fast:** Verruckt is a 17-story waterslide that will give adrenaline junkies a 65-mph ride of their life. German for insane, Verruckt will make Schlitterbahn Waterpark in Kansas City, KS home to the tallest waterslide in the world.
- **Big Dog Has a Balloon Knot Nose:** Artist Jeff Koons created the Balloon Dog, a massive sculpture that Christie's recently sold for \$58.4 million dollars. Koons worked with NVision to laser scan the original pup and produce a 3D CAD model that he used as a template to create full-size sculptures in an array of colors.
- **Protecting My Grapes:** Wine aficionados, and parents, can now protect their collections from power outages, cellar malfunctions, temperature swings, theft, underage drinking, light, open doors, label damage from high humidity and cork crumbling due to low humidity with the Elertus Wine Protection System.

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