



STRONG INTERFACE BETWEEN LANDSCAPE AND BUILDING INTERIOR IN JAPANESE DESIGN DUE TO CULTURAL/AESTHETIC, CLIMATIC AND SOCIAL FACTORS

## Building-landscape interface

There is infinite variation in the way that buildings and landscape may form interfaces. Design considerations for this interface might include creation of positive (useable) outdoor as well as indoor space; bringing visual themes and forms from outside in and vice versa or a deliberate juxtaposition and contrast of built and natural forms (see also Edges/Architecture-landscape interface, p. 119).

## Colonnades and columns

Colonnades form strong yet permeable enclosing edges either as extensions of buildings or as freestanding structures. Colonnades often have classical associations or form, but they don't have to. They can provide a covered edge to important public spaces for people to sit, eat, talk and trade. Columns that enclose spaces have similar functions. The grand scale and vertical form of columns and colonnades provide a permanent and often theatrical character to spaces.