



## People's use and experience of thresholds

Thresholds are places of transition and, if well designed, places that help to integrate the physical landscape and the experience of it. Thresholds give spatial configuration to people's need to adjust from one situation or experience to another. They are places in which people wait, rest, anticipate, arrive and leave, greet, contemplate,

change – they are places in which to acclimatise or prepare. A threshold can often provide visual and physical integration of the landscape if it possesses qualities of both the spaces it connects – the environment that is being left behind as well as the place being entered.