

## Windows and frames

Vegetation can be arranged to frame views of more distant landscapes or landscape components, particularly foci. Tree canopies or vegetation trained on pergolas form overhead or complete frames. The complex and soft texture of foliage and branches 'locks' sky and distance into the immediate 'space' of the viewer, thus bringing them closer, mediating and giving scale to distant forms.

## Tree canopies

Staircases and platforms in or among trees provide the opportunity for people to be close to the leaves, branches and wildlife of trees and give a sense of being in between land and sky. Structures within trees are constrained by the need to protect the trees' roots, bark and canopy for healthy growth (see p. 175).