



Vegetation – smell

The scent of plants delights. All parts of a plant smell. We are keenly tuned to this in an evolutionary way. Plant scents vary, acrid to sweet, sickly, fruity, musky. People touch plants to emit their scent more strongly.

Vegetation – taste

Landscapes produce food but food plants are rare in public landscapes: why? To prevent the unintentional vandalism of plants or because maintenance requirements are too onerous? And then there's the difficult question of food ownership. The enormous pleasure of eating from and in the landscape means that edible plants should always be a consideration in design.