



MANY JAPANESE GARDENS ACHIEVE WHOLENESS - METICULOUS AND SUBTLE INTEGRATION AND JUXTAPOSITION OF ELEMENTS. EACH ELEMENT PLAYS A ROLE IN WHOLENESS OR IS ABSENT.

## Wholeness and integration

Wholeness refers to qualities of integration and completeness in a designed place. Integration is absolutely fundamental to successful design and an overriding principle. The designer has to consider how to bring together the forms of vegetation, topography, structures and water in integrated ways and how to integrate

spaces, paths, edges, thresholds and foci. A whole design has all parts of the design 'working' to enhance by complementing or juxtaposing all other parts. In wholeness, the sum of the landscape forms and elements is greater than the parts.