



### Interpretation of existing site forms

Design frequently involves the creation of spaces to provide for changed landuse such as former industrial sites to new recreational facilities. Design of these spaces may involve modification and recycling of existing site forms rather than developing completely new ones. Existing site characteristics are often a source of design inspiration. See 'Recycling versus *tabula rasa*' (p. 15) for more about this.

### Geometry

The use of geometry by designers includes both simple geometries (for example, circular forms, rectangular forms) and more complex geometries such as fractal geometry (where forms and proportions of a 'macro' structure are repeated in the 'micro' structure of that form). Geometry and the science of mathematics have exerted and continue to exert a powerful influence on the forms created by landscape architects.