

## Subterranean spaces

Secret, hidden, damp, glittering or dark, subterranean spaces in landscapes are places of both fear and attraction. Among other factors, context and gender affect response to places below ground. They can be places of urban threat or of spiritual significance. In the right context there are many design opportunities to exploit, for example, the play of light, echo sounds, closeness to water or symbolic journeys. Subterranean spaces provide the potential for architectural and landscape design to merge.