



Glades

The glade (or forest clearing) is a dramatic and 'primeval' space type. Glades provide contrasting landscape experiences, moving from dark to light, from enclosure to openness, from shade to sun. They are natural meeting places, dwelling places, and stopping and picnic places with views of the sky and different flora thriving in the increased light. Glades have symbolic and mythic significance in

many European cultures. Creating glade spaces can be conceived as 'carving space' out of a 'mass' of trees, the forest canopy a solid out of which voids are created. As a spatial form the glade has diverse guises, from naturalistic to formal, and from vast to intimate. The designer aims to integrate glade and path sequences.