



FLOORS - PATTERN OF PAVING CAN PROVIDE PRIMARY CHARACTER OF SPACE
 CARPET-LIKE - CONTRAST WITH FOCAL VERTICAL ELEMENTS - AND MOVING PEOPLE
 BLACK + WHITE LIMESTONE SETS IN TRADITIONAL BOW PATROL
 PORTUGAL

Floors

In urban contexts the ground plane often needs a built surface. Floors and the quality of pavements have a strong influence on the daily experience of city dwellers. The importance of surfaces in contributing to good landscapes is often underestimated. Materials used for floors and their composition in design are extremely diverse

and the design of floors is a specialised area of landscape architecture that goes beyond the scope of this introduction. A summary of design considerations includes pattern, movement, uses, texture, drainage systems, safety, durability, maintenance, context, character, permeability and flexibility.