



## Water walls and moving water

In urban contexts, water can be used in wall planes to enclose space. Water walls and other types of moving water cool, visually animate and create sound in spaces. They have a very strong physical presence and create exhilarating or peaceful experiences in a similar way to waterfalls in natural environments (see Water foci, p. 168). There are many different design considerations affecting

experience of water walls. In particular, the dramatic or calming nature of such an experience is affected by the speed and quantity of water, together with the texture of the structure over which water passes. In places with moving water the air becomes full of fine mist which changes the atmosphere through sound, light, touch and taste.