



WINNING WAYS

Photos: Patrick Redmond

habitat

In habitat, Phillip Jones Architecture Landscape Systems created an oasis that celebrates Australia's natural beauty. Stepping stones took visitors into a world of cascading waterfalls, billabongs and indigenous flora and fauna, demonstrating the importance of respecting our natural environment. Water conservation and capture were key features of habitat, winner of a Gold Show Garden award plus the best in three award



Tropical Retreat

Tropical Retreat, a collaborative effort between Guitman Jones Design and The Outdoor Extension Company, won a Silver Show Garden award and The Royal Horticultural Society Commendation award. This lush oasis was a resort-style dream with its tranquil pond crossed by stepping stones, abundance of foliage plants and its trio of outdoor pavilions: one for entertaining, one for bathing and one for relaxation. Who could ask for more?



Relativity

Green roofs and vertical gardens are the way of the future as Relativity, designed by James Dawson Landscape Design, so aptly highlighted — and inventively explored. James Dawson, a member of Green Roofs Australia, won a Bronze Show Garden award for this thought-provoking, three-dimensional urban garden in which conventional planting notions were turned on their heads — and sides — almost as if defying gravity and belief.