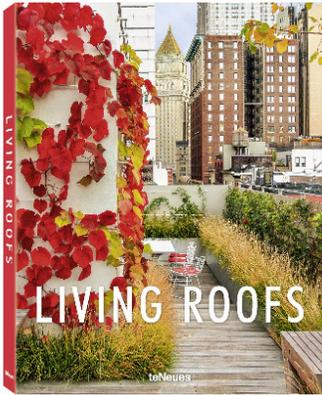


The Bookshelf: Living Roofs

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“Rooftop gardens and rooftop terraces let you reach for the stars and the only limit on what you can design in your exclusive oasis is your imagination.” Ashley Penn, an English Landscape designer and architect, began his exploration of gardens at the ripe age of 16. Through hard work and determination, Penn was recognized by the prestigious Turner Prize board for Innovation in Design as a young professional and since has continued his studies and collaborations in creating unique exterior spaces.

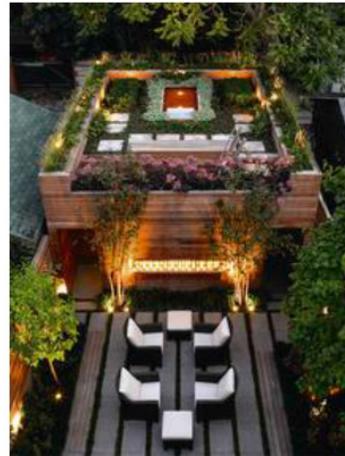


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His new book “Living Roofs” shares those much admired cityscape rooftop gardens in New York and other cities, clever retrofit solutions and award-winning sustainable homes. “For those apartment dwellers, bringing a touch of greenery into your home is important and allows for you to take part in the serene and tranquil comfort that only nature can provide.”



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