

CASE STUDIES

The Office Environment

Forestry Commission Edinburgh

"The plants have attracted a lot of very positive comments, both for their diversity and quality. Our staff are able to see that we wish to invest in improving their environment. Our aim was to raise humidity levels to counteract the effect of air conditioning. This has certainly been achieved and proves there is a cheaper, more environmentally friendly way of achieving this other than by the normal electro-mechanical methods."

Chris Smith
(Business Manager at the Forestry Commission)



When the Forestry Commission's headquarters underwent an extensive refurbishment, the agency selected Urban Planters to come up with a planting scheme for its new reception area and open plan offices.

THE BRIEF

- To enhance the **modern design** of the new reception area and to provide striking specimens which would create **points of interest** in the open-plan offices.
- The Forestry Commission also stressed the importance of using plants which would **filter the air** of the toxins given off by modern office equipment and help to **control humidity levels** within the building, creating a **healthier workspace** for their staff.

THE SCHEME

- Urban Planters selected a variety of **tropical species** and planted them in **contemporary chrome and silver containers**.
- The scheme also includes a range of **tabletop plant displays** to create smaller focal points around the offices.

Urban Planters has been promoting the health benefits of plants for years and was able to put its in-depth knowledge of air-filtering plants to good use on the scheme in order to meet the Forestry Commission's requirements.

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