



Garden House

Cambridge, Massachusetts

•TYPE
Residential

•SIZE
850 sq. ft.

•COMPLETION
June 2013

Seven small green roofs and a master bedroom patio garden help to make this Cambridge home a true urban oasis.



Seven small green roofs are scattered below each window of this Cambridge home in a pattern comparable to built-in window boxes. These multi-functional green roofs serve as privacy screens, stormwater catchment, and provide green views from each window.

In addition to the smaller roofs, a petite green roof patio garden off the master bedroom is lush with grasses, ferns, woodland perennials, and trailing flowering vines. Lightweight growing media and a centrally controlled irrigation system accompany this intensive deep soil roof system and allow for a diverse plant palette.



Top left to bottom right: A roof overhang planted with perennial grasses shades the back patio / Woodland perennials planted between a simple wood footpath lead from the master bedroom to the edge of the patio garden / Each window at Garden House has a green view

PROJECT INFORMATION

Architect
Sebastian Mariscal
Studio

Green Roof Installer
Recover Green Roofs

Irrigation Installer
Recover Green Roofs

Type
Intensive

Plant Type(s)
Grasses, Trees, Shrubs

Green Roof Components
Assorted Suppliers

Waterproofing
Membrane
EPDM

Soil Media Supplier
Read Custom Soils