71. Landscape Elements for Toddlers and Children (Recreation Element)

**Definition**
A uniquely defined landscaped, paved or organic space created within a public open space that encourages exploration, interaction and play by toddlers and children.

**Design Criteria**
The space defined should provide a sense of containment with clearly articulated boundaries. Its features—landscaping or paving—should promote curiosity and exploration by young children or toddlers, through visual stimulation, sensory variety, texture or three-dimensional qualities. Materials should be of high quality and used to fulfill an identifiable design scheme.

The area must allow visibility of the child at all times, while providing a visually interesting and attractive elements on its own that is likewise well integrated into the overall public open space.

Minimum 1,500 square feet in area.

**Supply Values**

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Clockwise from top left:
*Jardin de Plantes, Nantes, France*

*Sleeping chick, Flower pot heads, Sleeping chick and visitors*
Examples of Landscape Elements for Toddlers (Recreation Elements)

Clockwise from top:
Topiary hedge garden rooms, Phillipe Perdereau, France
Marble stone labyrinth, Mansfield, MA
Garden maze for children, Deen City Farm, Wimbledon, England
Mars des chaises, Jardin des Plantes, Nantes, France