

Berlin's Urban Forest

.....streets, avenues, gardens
and rooftops.



Within the Tiergarten Park informal spaces - emulating 'forest clearings' - are utilised for passive recreational activities.



There are also formal spaces created with evenly spaced trees, straight lines and rectangular patterns - here providing a setting for several monuments.



This shady, tree-lined walkway leads the pedestrian out of the Tiergarten Park toward the Victory Column on Strasse des 17. Juni.



Looking down Strasse des 17. Juni from the Victory Column - Brandenburg Gate just visible at the end of this densely planted 1.9km avenue. *Tilia* sp. kerbside.



The Unter den Linden ('under the linden trees') - a beautiful shady avenue in the Mitte district, extending east from the Brandenburg Gate.



Wide spaced trees and clipped shrubs line a pedestrian walkway adjacent to the River Spree - a marked contrast to the unkempt 'naturalistic' appearance of street plantings on Alt-Moabit (next slide).....



Street plantings on Alt-Moabit.



Shade, often a 'taken-for-granted' benefit of the urban forest. Here, trees markedly ameliorate street temperatures on a hot Berlin summer day.



Courtyard gardens, a integral part of the Berlins urban forest, exhibit a surprising luxuriance. This one has a tree canopy, shrub understory (2 layers) and ground cover.



Rooftop gardens, including small trees, are part of Berlin's urban forest.