

## Legend:

- 01 Seaport Leixões
- 02 Foz do Douro (mouth)
- 03 riverport
- 04 the works area
- Parque Ocidental da Cidade
- main urban open spaces
- historic city centre
- Escarpa das Fontainhas
- Escarpa dos Guindais (slope project)
- Escarpa da Ponte de Arrabida
- Parque Oriental da Cidade
- Rio Douro
- a Ponte Arrabida
- b Ponte Dom Luís I
- c Ponte do Infante
- d Ponte de Maria Pia
- e Ponte de São João
- national roads and highways
- ring road
- municipality limits

## FocusOn:

- 1 knowledge and understanding  
of a layered landscape



- 2 personal interpretation  
of a Porto's area



- 3 strategic vision  
for a overall project



- 4 the project  
of 'Escarpa dos Guindais' along the Douro river



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### Written statement, short description of the project in English, no more than 250 words

The intervention area of Escarpa dos Guindais, is set in Porto, Portugal in a central area next to Ponte Luis I. The reading, interpretation e designing have been developed on the central theme of the layered landscape. A landscape may be seen from its morphology and in relation with its urban setting complexity, here characterized by steep scarps and sheer slopes leading on the river Douro. The layering acquires the shapes of the history, showing the overlapping of different urban webs and different open spaces corresponding to the different historical ages. The slope, place of biodiversity, represents today an extremely important urban residual to be exploited. The strategy is that of creating a connection between the historical centre and the eastern area to the Gothic Walls within the focus area, by networking different urban open spaces without continuity solution. So the slope will not only have a vertical and horizontal connecting function, but it will also be a place to be lived by the community for different purposes. A portion of the area is left to its original aspect aiming to link the wild landscape with the designed one in a new synergy. Otherwise, the accessible part has been thought according to a system of fan-like terraces and open spaces designing, connected with sloping ramps and staircases. These spaces are treated in different ways (different vegetation and materials but also different uses) in order to make a narrative path.

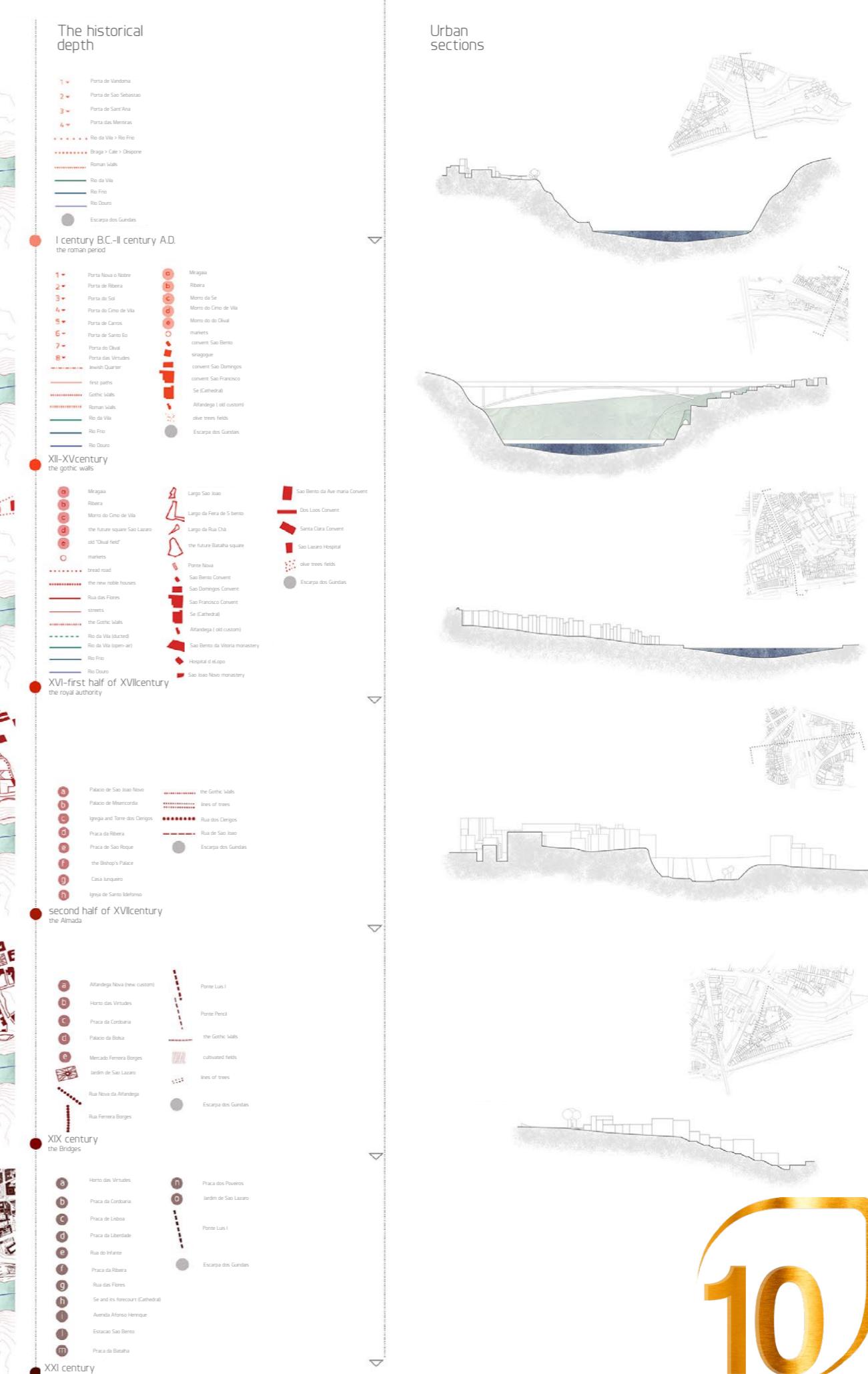
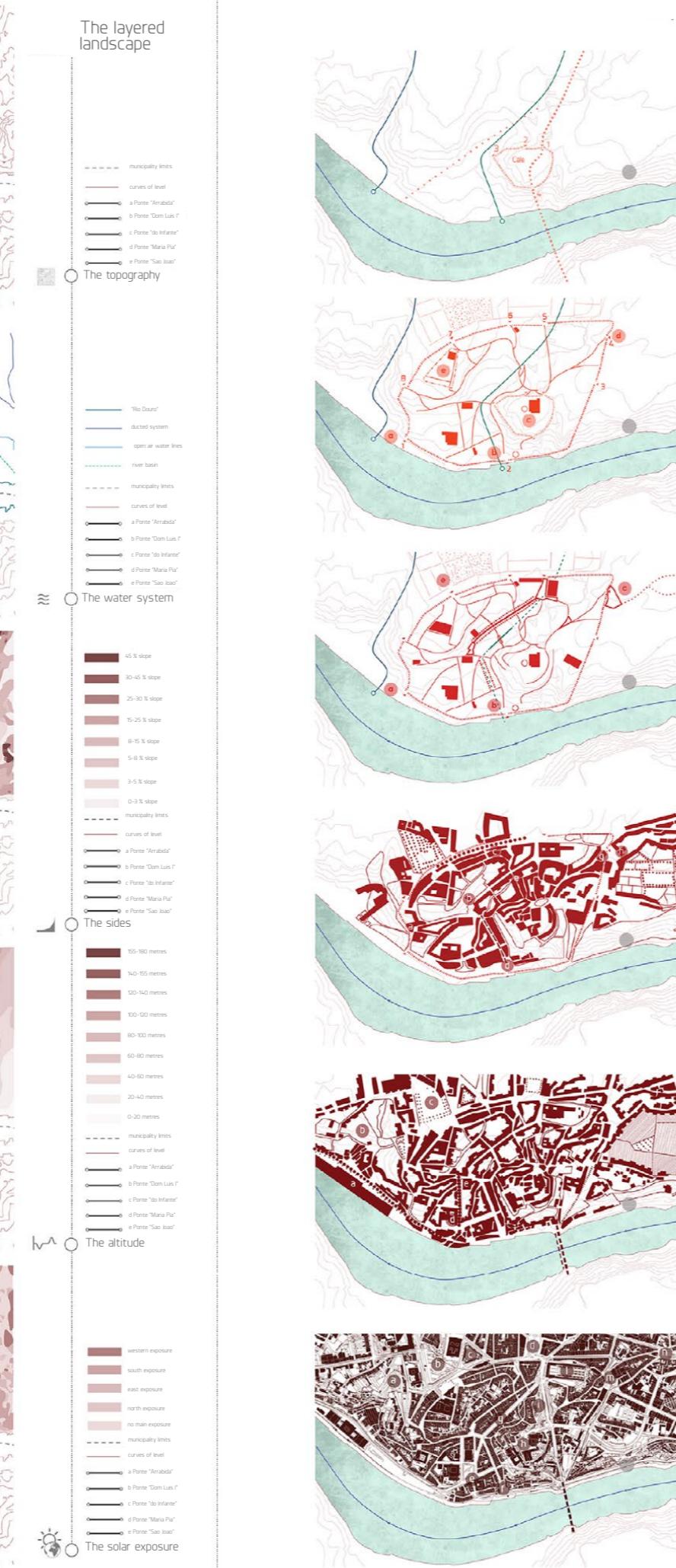
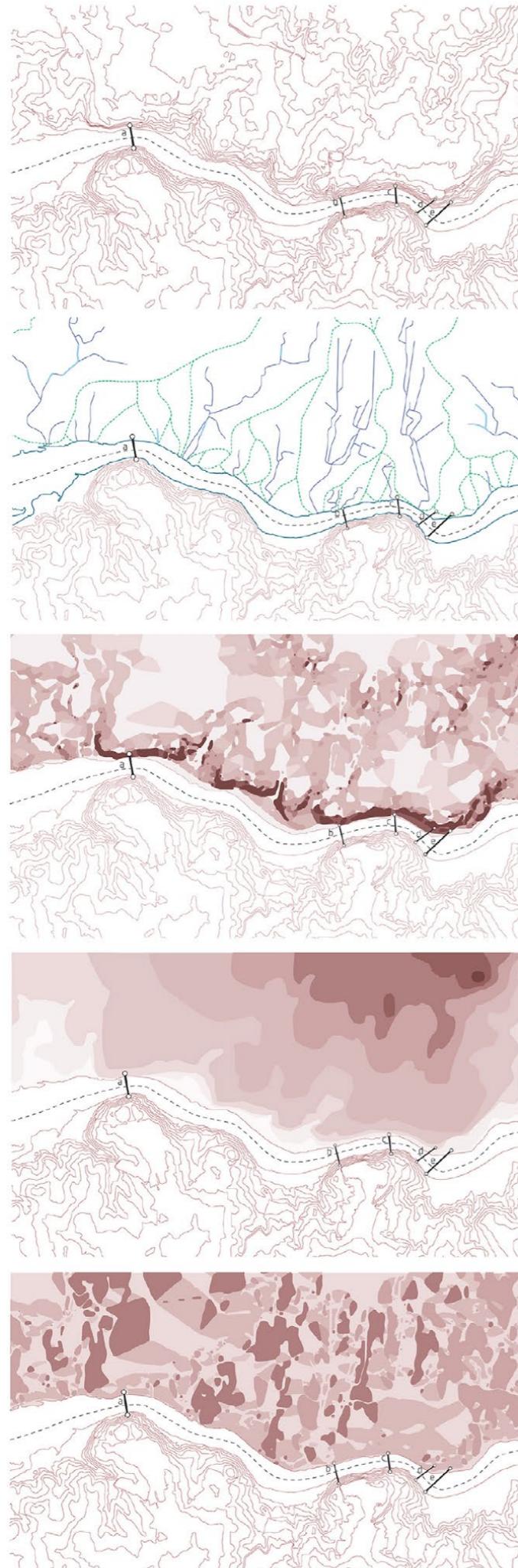
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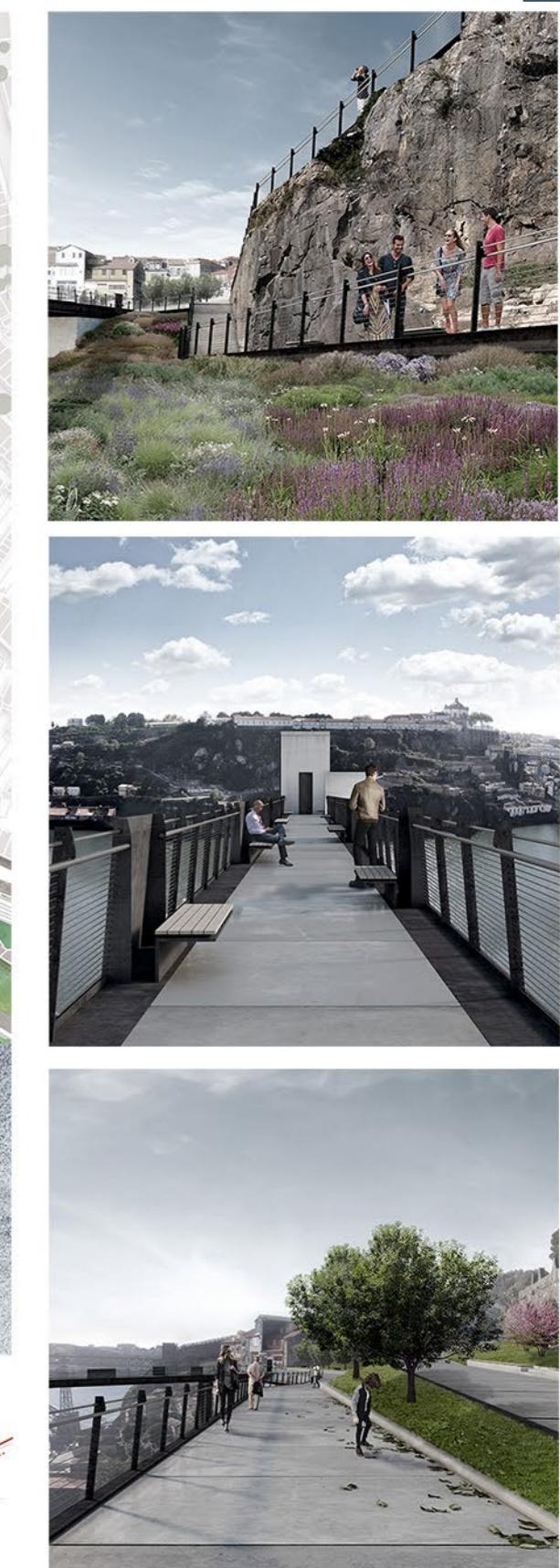
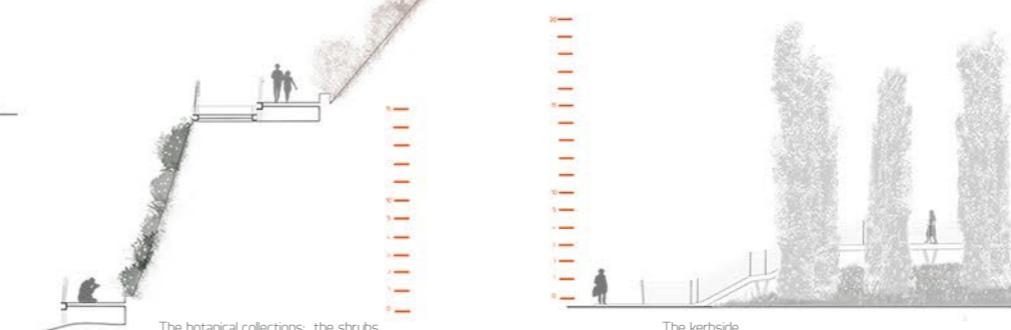
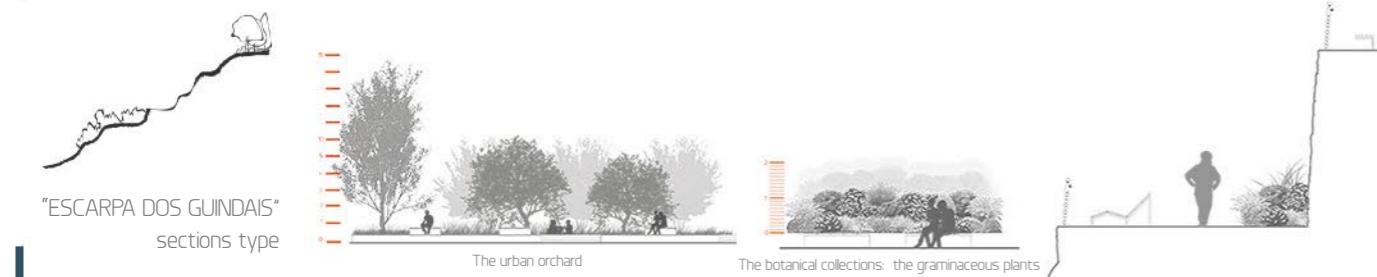
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## Urban open spaces





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