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UP THERE HIGH IN THE SKIES
CONCRETE MONSTERS FILL MY EYES
HOW DRAB THE SLABS WITH LIFELESS STARES
THEIR VIRTUAL CRY OF WHO ON EARTH CARES
THESE FINGERS OF BRICK AND GLASS AND STEEL
POINTING UP AS IF TO APPEAL
TURN US INTO ORGANIC TOWERS
ADORN US NOW WITH BEAUTIFUL FLOWERS
DON'T GIVE THE GIANTS A LOOK OF PITY
LET THEM BREATHE LIFE INTO THE CITY

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AND SO TO WORK

living for the city

Living Walls are a new concept for the 21st Century. ANS Group is one of the longest established companies in this field, operating from a number of locations across the UK. ANS have grown to become the leading provider of Living Walls in Europe, and are renowned for their 'Urban Ruralism' expertise.

The essence of our product is design. Our experience and botanical knowledge is applied to your particular requirements for both outdoor and indoor Living Walls.

Our deep expertise and enthusiasm in all areas of horticulture and planting design is at your disposal. Our attentive service is tailored to your specification, backed by regular maintenance visits.

Flexible finance packages give you a choice of payment plans and maintenance programmes. Fully inclusive rental schemes from 1 to 5 years are available, along with short-term hire of Living Walls for special occasions and events.



The ANS Living Wall System™ is a proven modular system which can be built up and around any structure, to any size. The concept of it is a living work of art which is professionally designed for the client and delivered to site fully planted to give instant full impact and requires no on-site growing time. Installed by experts, the system comes with a 10 year guarantee and a fully automatic irrigation system to allow every area of the wall the correct amount of water.

Hundreds of Living Walls have been installed, which are used in many diverse environments

- Hotels
- Receptions
- Architects
- Atria
- Commercial Offices
- Roof Gardens
- Events & Exhibitions
- Airports
- Government Departments
- Break Out Areas
- Showrooms
- Shopping Malls
- Councils
- Courtyards
- Universities
- Museums
- Entrances
- Schools & Colleges
- Balconies
- Restaurants
- Designers



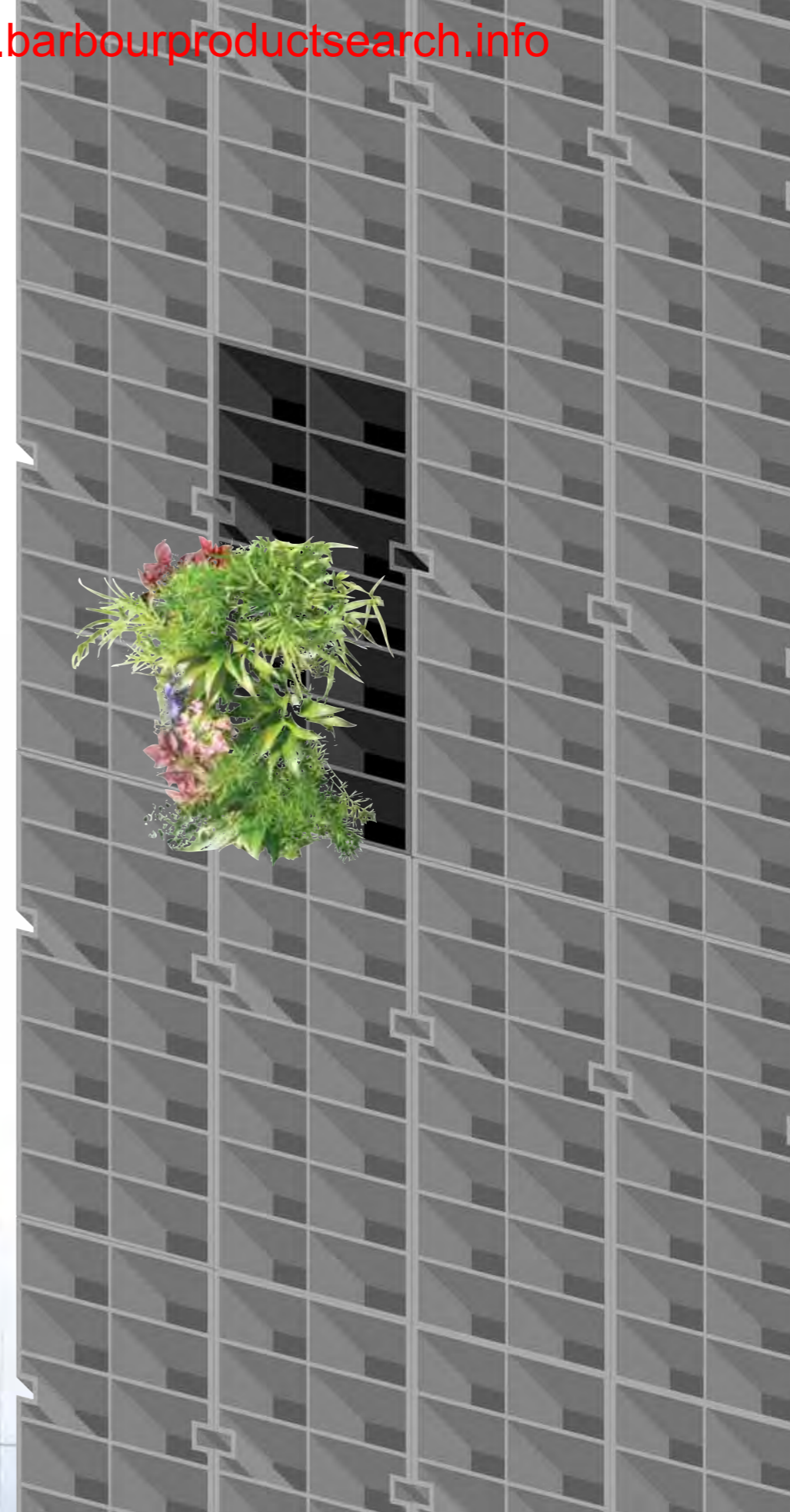
ANS Group works closely with architects and local councils to transform towns and cities into greener environments. Living Walls can provide environmental benefits in the form of biodiversity, thermal insulation and cooling benefit to the building and noise attenuation.

All ANS Living Wall Systems™ are designed by our in house team working with clients, designers and architects to any specific style and shape, in both interior and exterior environments. Plant species, selected from an extensive proven planting list purposely designed for the ANS System, are chosen according to the location of the walls. The modules are then planted by hand from a design plan, providing a living solution with colour and texture.

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We can dress any wall; use the existing structure if it is sound – be it brick, stone, concrete or timber – or we can construct a bespoke framework.



where there's a wall there's a way

Westfield
Shopping
Centre
West London



Growing benefits

- Ecological**
- biodiversity in the urban area habitats, breeding and nesting possibilities
 - offsets carbon footprint
 - air purification
 - can be included in the BREEAM rating
 - lowers the heat island effect in the urban area
 - recyclable
 - utilises rain water harvesting
 - reduces smog from traffic fumes
 - provides protection for flora and fauna

Inspirational

- colourful
- bespoke designs
- personalised logos
- educational
- can be incorporated with other wall cladding

Ethical

- softening of the city
- enhances image
- beautification of the landscape
- can be designed to form dramatic shadows by incorporating plants and lighting

Economical

- insulating properties
- longer life facades
- enhances property value
- fire resistance
- protects from elements of rain and wind damage

LIVING WALLS GREEN ROOFS

ECOTIST

URBAN

ROOTS TO THE CITY

LIFE

PAINT THE TOWN GREEN

STREET LIFE

STYLE

LIVING WALLS

THE NEW CITY OF CULTURE

BREATH

LET THE CITY LIVE & BREATHE

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LIVING FOR THE CITY THE NEW URBAN HORIZON

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upstairs downstairs

the new direction in
city landscaping
a lift to all floors



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outsidein

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who says the garden
belongs outside?
bring it in.

At last the outside world fuses
with indoor life.
It's the new wallpaper. The new
way to decorate.
Green goes with everything. And
each day it'll look a little different
as it breathes life into the home.
Water the walls, don't emulsion.
Create a picture that's unique.
And put your signature on it.
A sense of belonging.

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outward

bound



haute cuisine... greens with everything.

Create an ambience that gives back what was once removed.
Bring rurality to whatever you innovate.
Let urbania live and breathe plantatia and create
the perfect equilibrium.
Love steel, love chrome, love wood... now add the vital ingredient.



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TIARELLA SPRING SYMPHONY
LIRIOPE MUSCARI
HEUCHERA GREEN SPICE
STACHYS LANATA
VINCA MINOR BOWLES PURPLE
CAREX FROSTED CURLS
POLYPODIUM VULGARE
HEUCHERA PURPLE BUTTERFLY
TIARELLA IRON BUTTERFLY
STAINLESS STEEL SECTION
WITH BACK LIGHTING

we love it when a plan comes together



planning installation

The Living Wall production begins at our nurseries. Here the modules are planted by hand by our team of horticulturalists, and remain on our nurseries to give time to allow the planting to become fully established. This is very important to ensure the longevity of the wall. Once they are ready for installation they are transported to site on a trolley system for protection of the plants, and the wall is assembled by one of our dedicated installation teams.

Maintenance of the wall is important, but is minimal. The ANS Living Wall System™ allows for root migration, so if a plant fails the void would normally be in-filled from neighbouring plants cells.



In the rare event of replacement plants being needed, either individual plants can be replaced, or a whole module can be exchanged. A light pruning twice a year is recommended to ensure the wall is kept tidy and free from arisings.

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greenroofs
the new urban horizon

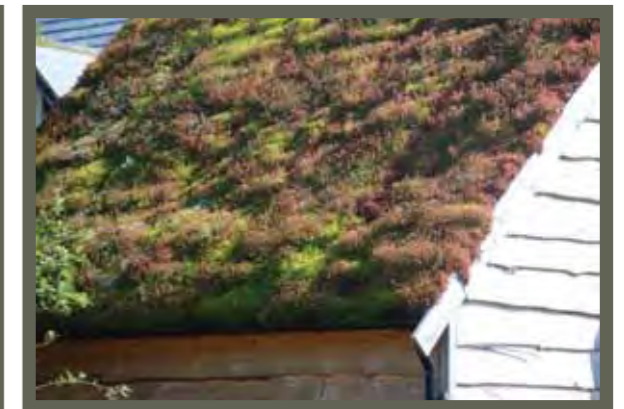
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Green roofing has typically consisted of layers which are built up on site, which can be a very time consuming and complicated process. The ANS system offers the ideal solution – the modular, all-in-one system transforming installation into a cost effective and efficient procedure and providing an instant green image.

The modular system can incorporate additional indigenous species of wild flower and grasses for added colour and interest.

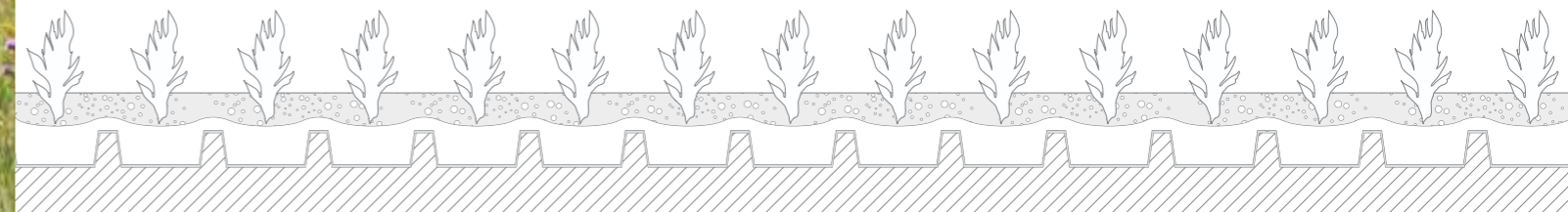
The main advantages of the ANS Green Roof modular system is that if for any reason access is needed to a particular area of the roof, a module can be easily lifted out and moved to one side, then put back in place once the work has been carried out.

The ANS Green Roof is a modular system which has proved immensely successful for its full establishment prior to installation.



As with the Vertical Wall Modules, installation is simple and provides the instant greening effect.

living p roof



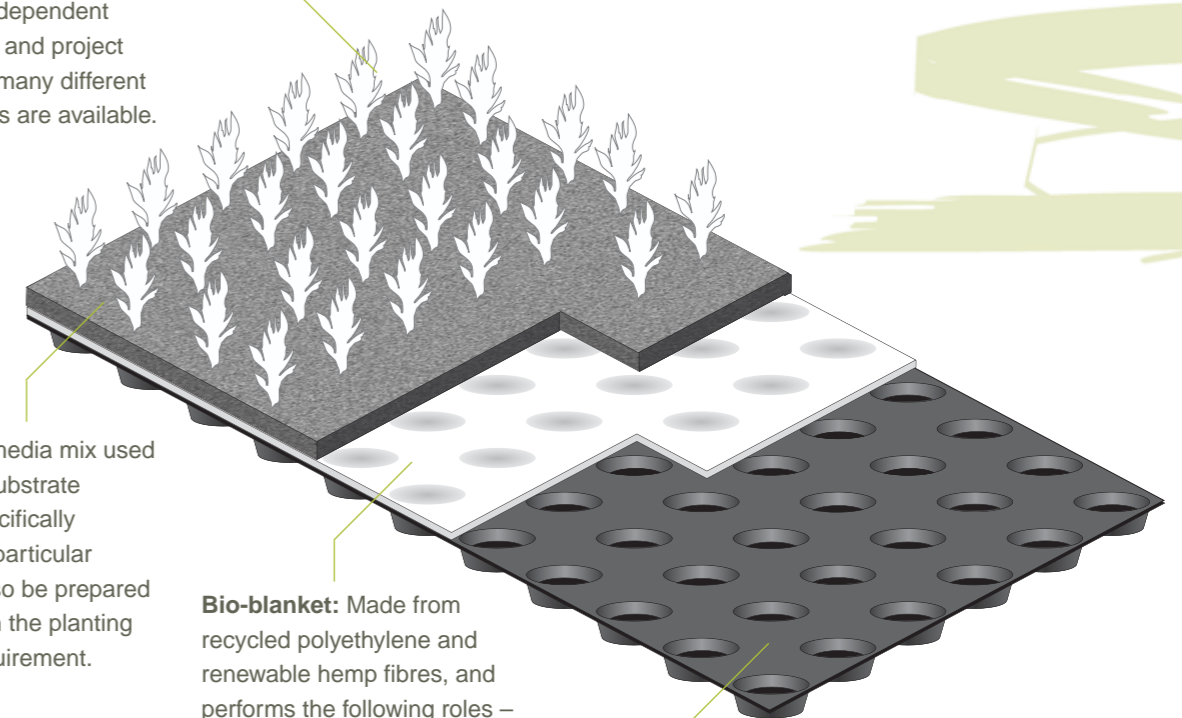


Benefits

- Storm water absorption
- Air quality improvement
- Improvement of building thermal performance
- Improvement to heat and sound
- Reduces associated energy cost
- Amenity space
- Aesthetic - softening, greening and enhancing the city space
- Extends the life of the roof membrane
- Food production - roof allotments



Vegetation: Consists of Sedum, or a mix of Sedums, Wild Flowers and grasses. Varieties are dependent upon location and project purpose, but many different design options are available.



Media: The media mix used is a special substrate prepared specifically for ANS, but particular mixes can also be prepared depending on the planting & project requirement.

Bio-blanket: Made from recycled polyethylene and renewable hemp fibres, and performs the following roles – water retention, filter fabric, even water distribution, root anchor layer for the planting.

Carrier: Made from recycled HDPE plastic, and performs the following roles – a water reservoir, drainage layer, protection from excessive drying of roots from the airspace below, the cups greatly improve product handling making it easier to install

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THE ANSWER

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