

Green Walls

The rise of biophilic design continues to shape interiors, with living green walls gaining popularity for their ability to enhance air quality, support wellness goals, and bring nature into built environments.

Designers are looking for systems that are low maintenance, scalable, and seamlessly integrate into modern spaces, offering both aesthetic impact and measurable sustainability benefits.



Green Wall Categories in A+D Lookup

A+D Lookup has 23 companies addressing your living wall needs. To see who offers these products search for:

• Plants / Living Walls

This structure helps designers quickly locate and compare products across a crowded marketplace.

What are Designers saying?

Despite growing interest in biophilic design, green walls remain a niche selection for most firms.

Designers often start their search online with familiar vendors known for living wall capabilities, or they're directed to a specific brand's preferred supplier.

Having a few samples on hand in the library is typically sufficient for quick project needs.

One designer noted:

"We seldom select green walls, but when we do, it's usually through vendors we already know. All of our living installations have gone through Ambius."

Another added:

"It might be good to have a faux source available—something low-maintenance that still delivers the look of a living wall."

Takeaways

Product familiarity and accessible representation continue to drive decisions in this Plants / Living Walls category. As wellness-focused design grows, the opportunity lies in providing flexible, easy-to-source systems, both living and faux, that blend sustainability with simplicity.



Why are Green Walls trending?

Introducing living and natural elements into the workplace is called *biophilic design*, which includes things like *maximizing natural lighting, purifying airflow, and introducing plant life through green walls and gardens*. Think about how getting back into nature makes you feel refreshed, re-energized, and restored – well, that's what designers are trying to introduce into the workplace to balance out the stress, hustle, and bustle of working life.

However, there are several other benefits that you should be aware of:

- **Employee Demand:** With 87% of workers wanting employers to provide a healthier workplace (according to the Well Building Standard), it makes sense to *introduce biophilic elements* like green walls as part of your strategy to attract and retain talent. It's a striking visual effect that shows employees that wellness is a key value in your workplace.
- Improves Wellness Building Metrics: LEED, the Well Building Standard, and other standards are popular for measuring the wellness of your office space. Getting this accreditation is essential for any business looking to capitalize on their sustainability stance, and green walls cover several important areas including water efficiency, innovation in design, energy, and atmosphere.
- Improves Productivity: Green spaces are productive spaces, with plants directly impacting concentration, energy levels, and engagement. To make an impact, you need more than a simple orchid on a desk (although every bit of green helps), and that's where plant walls can be a game-changer.
- Improves Air Quality: Plants are natural air filtration machines, taking in carbon dioxide and releasing oxygen, and filtering out pollutants and dust. Plant walls are very efficient at this and have the added benefits of controlling a comfortable level of humidity and adding a subtle scent to the air. This eases breathing, keeps skin comfortable, and prevents poor air quality that can trigger asthma, headaches, and sore throats.
- Saves Money: A green wall is affordable to install and when cared for properly, can last a lifetime. By controlling humidity, cleaning the air, helping to keep the temperature at a consistent and comfortable level, and adjusting naturally to the seasons to maintain the office climate, offices can save on costs for air conditioning and air purification.

How to Incorporate Green Walls into Your Designs

Some of the most striking and functional ways to incorporate this design include:

- **Feature Walls:** Create visual impact behind reception desks, in break areas, or as backdrops in open spaces.
- **Columns:** Transform structural pillars into vertical gardens, turning functional elements into living art.
- External Walls: Add greenery to outdoor facades to filter light, enhance break areas, or elevate retail and entrances.

