

# 261 HUDSON





1. Garden court rendering

**261 HUDSON**  
**GARDEN COURT**  
*NEW YORK, NEW YORK*

Upon entry into this “BoHo Chic” 150 residential unit building, the relentless presence of its rear garden draws one deeper into the lobby to demystify the wonder of such an expansive and lush garden within the center of New York’s Hudson Square. The sculpted meandering planted terraces navigate the 8 foot level change between its rear street entrance and the building’s lower amenity floor. The garden’s unique features, stretching across the building’s full width and through-block depth, invariably contributes to its identity and inescapable visual orientation. Its sinuous terraced slopes abstract a Hudson River valley landscape with continuous seasonal floral and textural displays. A towering Dawn Redwood erupts as the garden’s singular statuesque feature, providing human scale and a mystifying sense of timelessness. Residents sitting nestled in one of the garden’s lower level lounge furnishings or underneath the upper terrace’s vine clad arbor will spiritually transport them to an alternate sensibility that counters the hustle and bustle of its dense downtown locale. Inspired by private European residential landscaped courts, the garden becomes for its residents a beloved escape and private domain that calms and soothes the urban soul.

**PROJECT FEATURES**

- 5,550 SF Garden Court
- Sculpted landform 8 ft level change
- 16” caliper Dawn Redwood
- Belvedere seating terrace w/ arbor
- Hornbeam hedgerow
- Vine screen garden walls
- Grove of Snow Goose Cherry trees
- Geo-grid slope stabilizer
- Hudson River woodland plant community
- Permeable crushed stone fines surfaces
- Silver LEED certification
- 4,500 SF Sky Garden
- BBQ dining garden pods
- Rain water harvesting

**COMPLETION**

Spring 2017

**CLIENT**

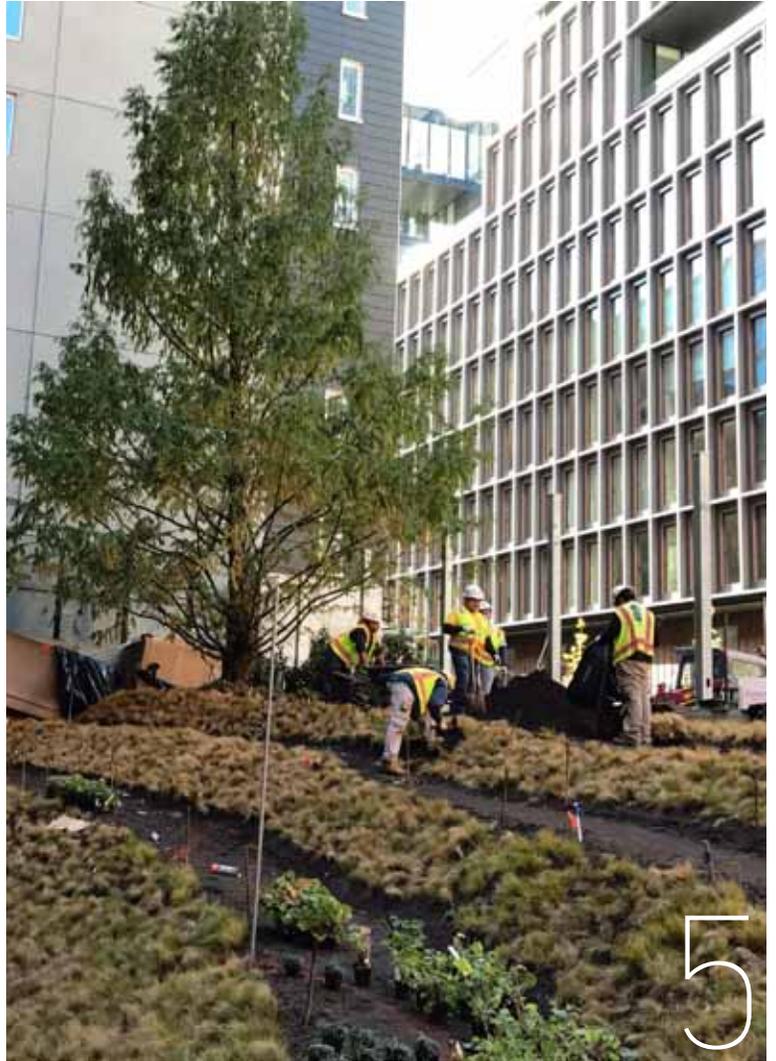
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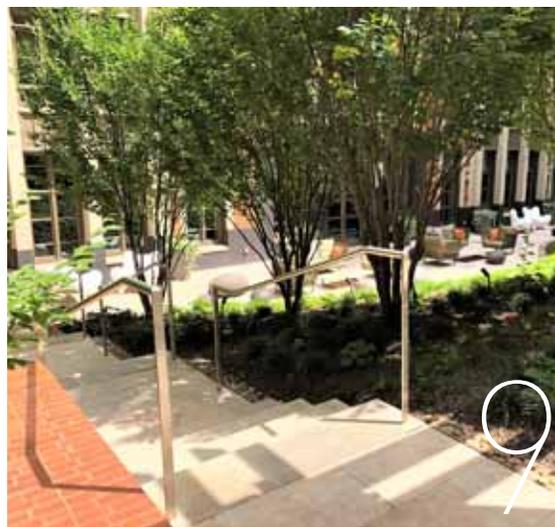
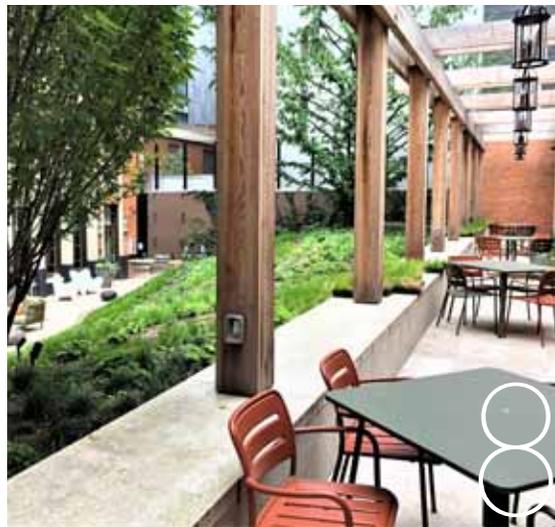
TOTAL: \$235M; COURT GARDEN: \$850K

**DESIGN TEAM**

- Design Architect: Robert A.M. Stern Architects
- Executive Architect: Ismael Leva Architects
- Structural Engineers: RGCE
- MEP Engineers: AKF Group
- Civil Engineers: AKRF, Inc.
- Irrigation Engineers: WC3 Design



2. Garden court illustrative plan; 3. Geo-grid slope stabilizer; 4. Dawn Redwood installation; 5. Garden terraces under construction; 6. Early garden completion.



7. View from garden belvedere; 8. Belvedere dining terrace; 9. Granite steps to lounge terrace; 10. Bristle-leaved Sedge chevron slope (early).