



# Green Havens Amid Water and Stone

The city's hidden gardens are shady nooks in unexpected corners

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**I** CAN'T GET the walkway down, and as they come closer to the 7th Avenue station, they look up at the ornate, classical facade of the building. The walkway is not on the ground, but on a narrow ledge that runs along the top of the building. The walkway is not on the ground, but on a narrow ledge that runs along the top of the building.

Heads and shoulders, circumscribed by the building's facade, gardeners give the impression of being in a different world. They call it the "garden of the Academy," and it is a hidden garden in the heart of the city.

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The Académie, the private garden of a popular pensione, and, below, a man relaxing in the public Giardino Reale.



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