

**Location**  
Lebanon

**Client**  
Solidere

**Budget**  
£18m Approx

**Period**  
2010 - 2013

**Services**  
Masterplanning  
Landscape Design  
Contract Documentation  
Delivery Advice

**Website**  
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## Beirut New Waterfront District, Lebanon

In recent years the City of Beirut's pedestrianized historic core has been regenerated. Today it is a busy, fashionable and cosmopolitan meeting point and visitor destination with a focus on shopping and café culture. Adjacent to this historic core is the 25ha New Waterfront District which is developing a mix of uses, including retail, residential and commercial. It aims to become a natural, albeit contemporary extension to the ancient city. CBA won an international design competition and prepared a detailed public realm masterplan and design guide for the District as a framework for more detailed public realm design. Detail designs and contract packages for the many street landscapes and public spaces have been completed and will be implemented in phases over 10 years. Disciplined by a grid system which provides unity across the whole District, the detailed design and geometry for public realm provides for a high degree of flexibility allowing diversity of materials, water features, planting, furniture and lighting to create a local sense of place.

Unusually, the aim for the District-wide streetscapes and 'green infrastructure' is for it to be completed ahead of private and public sector building development to create a robust townscape setting and contribute to property value.



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