XIV. Gutter

TZones: T3, T4, T5, T6
Maintenance: Low
Cost: $

A. Description
Gutters come in many forms and are used to channel water for roadways, roofs, and ground planes. Gutters are made of many materials depending on their use. They are often in the form of an open trough.

B. Use
Gutters are used to beautifully transport water through a landscape. Also, they can be more utilitarian i.e. when used along street edges with curbs. They typically are better used in urban conditions of the transect because of the curbed streets and formal aesthetic. Stone troughs are used on the ground plane under roof eaves as a replacement to hung gutters. The trough gutters prevent erosion and transport the water to underground cisterns.

C. Maintenance
Gutters are low maintenance. Debris needs to be removed regularly to ensure functionality.

D. Cost
Gutters are inexpensive because they are simple. Material is a main factor in determining the cost.

E. Resources