



BOUNTIFUL BALCONY

Grahame Hubbard and Philip Roche, the owners of Plant Specialists, used colorful container plantings to convert a residential rooftop balcony into inviting outdoor living space. "Rooftop gardens have been with us since ancient Mesopotamia and the fabled Hanging Gardens of Babylon," says Hubbard. In New York, planted roofs help to restore oxygen to the air, cool the atmosphere, and slow the effects of global warming.