

TASTE

Let it Grow

No hotel worth its eco-cred can be without a kitchen garden, says VICTORIA MATHER

↑ SASAAB, KENYA

Elephants *lurve* the kitchen garden at this Samburu lodge, where Cyrus, the gardener, grows veg with compost from food waste and manure from goats and cattle. This eco-retreat helps finance the Ewaso Lion conservation project. thesafaricollection.com



↑ ROSEWOOD MAYAKOBA RIVIERA MAYA, MEXICO

The apogee of organic chic: there's even a garden mixologist who macerates spirits with herbs to make... Healthy margaritas! Find 20,000 sq ft of refined foraging amidst the resort's crystal lagoons, 45 types of organic fruit and veg, even zapote wood for smoking fish. [Buen provecho. rosewoodhotels.com](http://Buenprovecho.rosewoodhotels.com)

↓ CROSBY STREET HOTEL, NYC

The g-spot of the roof garden. The hens live the high life in Tim and Kit Kemp's NYC outpost, inspired by the Ansonia Hotel on the Upper East Side, which had an entire farm on its roof including chickens, goats and a cow. We're over the moon. firmdalehotels.com



BABYLONSTOREN PAARL, SOUTH AFRICA

The custard apple of one's eye: there's no more beautiful modern garden, kitchen or otherwise, in the world. Pick, clean and serve is the approach. Mind the chicks as you drive in. babylonstoren.com



↑ HAM YARD, LONDON

The hot spot of eco-conscious London is a fabulous roof garden with views of the skyline punctuated by an orchard of olive, apple and pear trees. And buzz, buzz: here be beehives. It's too wondrous: raised beds created with railway sleepers with kale and thyme, anyone? firmdalehotels.com