

6.2 Seating and Benches

Seating will be an important element to facilitate gathering and enjoyment of public spaces. Seating is encouraged throughout the Cambie Corridor as an integrated element within plazas and parks. Retaining walls and planter walls should double as seatwalls wherever possible, and seating should be considered integral to the design of plazas, parks, and active links. Custom seating at plazas is encouraged; it should be durable and, if possible, reflect or use the wood seat elements of the standalone benches recommended for the rest of the Corridor. Unique, non-traditional seating solutions may be considered as placemaking elements.

Where standalone benches are required, including park connector streets (Section 4.2), the Neoliviano bench by Landscape Forms should be used. This bench can be selected with or without a back rest depending on its placement and is available in varying lengths.

The Neoliviano bench should be used consistently on public and semi-public spaces—ensuring that active links and communal residential spaces have consistent features—to reinforce the coordination with the broader Corridor.

RECOMMENDATIONS

- **Integrate seating** in plazas, parks, and active links as well as at key points along commercial streets
- Integrate custom, durable seating in public spaces whenever possible
- **Utilize the Neoliviano bench** wherever standalone benches are required in public space within the Corridor
- Utilize the Neoliviano bench in semi-private spaces within new developments



Neoliviano bench with backrest



Neoliviano bench without backrest



Examples of Neoliviano benches and custom seating elements