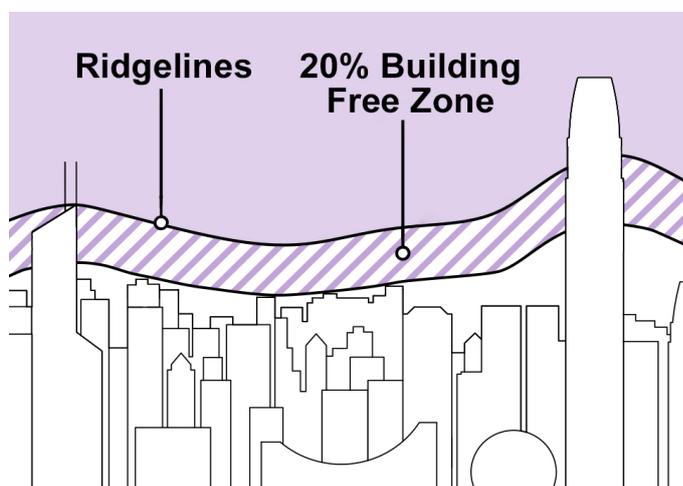


b. Protect and Enhance Visual and Physical Connections with Nature

Tip: The Metroplan guidelines which recommended 20% to 30% building free zone below selected sections of ridgelines could be used as a starting point, but do allow flexibility for special landmark buildings to provide punctuation effects at suitable locations.

Tip: Enhance blue and green links and promote convenient, affordable or universal access to country parks and coastal areas.

1. **Protect views of the Victoria Peak, Lion Rock and the ridgelines** from public waterfronts, and likewise protect **the views towards the harbour** from Victoria Peak, Lion Rock and other ridgeline areas.
2. **Maintain a 20% to 30% building free zone** below the ridgelines when viewing from established strategic viewing points (SVPs) to safeguard the city's unique skyline.
3. **Maintain visual and physical linkages between urban area and its natural surroundings** and extend views of nature into the heart of the urban area as far as possible.
4. **Improve visual and physical access to the waterfront** for public enjoyment.
5. **Improve access to nature** for public enjoyment and to promote health and well-being while protecting biodiversity and pursuing nature conservation.



Building free zone to preserve views to ridgelines