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going green

While most guests visit the conservatory, on the second of Citibank's four floors, only private banking clients can see it from above. On the third level, those elite members have access to an enclosed viewing deck furnished with Rodolfo Dordoni armchairs and side tables. It's a great place to appreciate the garden, but also a sign of having arrived, Seah says. Other details subtly distinguish the exclusive upper level, such as a polished marble reception desk, walnut-veneer wall coverings and cabinets, and handblown glass pendant fixtures. Peace lilies and fan palms grow in gray marble planters.

The biophilic design continues all throughout the 30,000-square-foot project, which includes two floors devoted to 220 employees. In wealth-management centers, there's often a strong disconnect between impressive public areas and depressing back offices, Seah says. For the mental well-being of the people working here, we made the office areas an extension of the conservatory. Client relationship managers work at curvilinear hot desks that wrap around planters of shade-loving evergreens. Spiky palms animate collabora-

tion areas, while wood-look vinyl flooring and walnut laminate tables add warmth. A shifting smart lighting system matches circadian rhythms, bright in the morning and cool toward evening. It is, in other words, an environment where clients, employees, and plants alike can thrive. —

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PRODUCT SOURCES

FROM FRONT: BO CONCEPT: CHAIRS (POD). ANDREU WORLD: TABLE. HERMAN MILLER: CHAIRS (OFFICE AREA). LAMITEK: COUNTER MATERIAL. FLOS: LAMP (BREAK-OUT AREA). DE LA ESPADA: CHAIR. LACIVIDINA: COFFEE TABLE. COMFORT FURNITURE: CHAIRS (COLLABORATION AREA, OFFICE AREA). THROUGHOUT: MILLION LIGHTING: RECESSED FIXTURES, PLANT LIGHTS. FRAMEWORK MATERIALS: CEILING PANELS. INSUL-DEK: ACOUSTIC CEILING SYSTEM. KVADRAT: WALL FABRIC. AURAL-AIDE: PANELING. SURFACE STONE: FLOOR TILES. INTERFACE: CARPET TILE, VINYL FLOORING. ROYAL THAI: CARPET.