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Conservatories | Orangeries | Pool and Garden Houses | English Skylights

You can merely add a room, or you can add the sun, the moon, and the stars

We know from our clients' experiences that a conservatory will make you happy. It is an opportunity to dramatically enhance your living experience by creating a unique and inviting connection with the outdoors. A place to drink in the sun on a cold winter day, feel the rain without getting wet, enjoy the first snowfall of winter, and the blooming colors of early spring. A way to transform your home and your life within it.

How we work. Tell us how you envision your new space. What size do you have in mind, what location, what function? Will it solve a problem, fulfill a dream, or both? We will guide you to the design that best fits your needs and desires. Together, we will work to make the conservatory look as though it was always part of the original house or grounds, not an add-on.

We can work with you directly or with your design professional to create your dream space. If we create the design, we charge a fee which you can apply toward the project. With an agreed upon design, we give you a firm price and contract. We can also give you a preliminary idea of budget from your basic ideas and dimensions. We will suggest features and details based on our 30 years of experience.

Our contract includes detailed shop drawings and engineering, one of the most important aspects of the process. We will discuss all the details of the design, site placement, dimensions, and any special features. We will also discuss any changes you might want. We begin manufacture only after the drawings have been approved.

Once complete, the conservatory is shipped directly to your site. We meet the shipment and erect it with our own crews on your prepared base. Our skilled and experienced installers assemble everything from the base wall up. After completion, your family and guests will revel in the elegance of your new addition. Few will have experienced such an amazing space.



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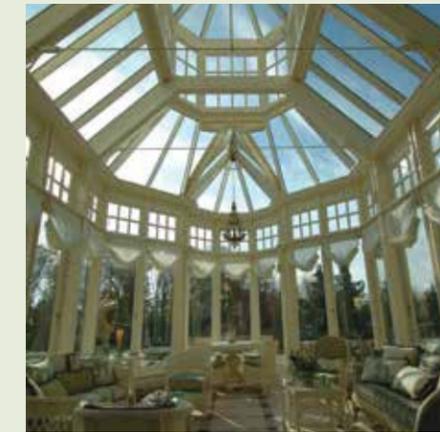
Origins

While growing plants and exotic fruits in dedicated structures using glass can be traced to 16th century Italy, it was the Victorian Era in England that saw the proliferation of ornate iron and glass conservatories and orangeries both as public spaces and as additions to homes. These structures were built with single pane glass.

After immense popularity in Britain, the idea spread to North America where the remnants of that period are still enjoying use in dramatic public spaces in virtually every major city. Smaller residential conservatories based on those public designs survive today in turn of the century homes.

The modern era of the residential conservatory began following the advent of insulated glass. These revival conservatories were dedicated more to living than pure growing space and were predominantly constructed of hardwood and later aluminum.

Town & Country traces its roots to those early structures of the revival period. This makes us one of the most experienced modern day conservatory builders. Our work has evolved with the times to a range of custom structures from ornate replications to contemporary interpretations of classical designs.





Conservatories

A conservatory can be used for far more than growing plants. Designed for year-round use, a conservatory can be a dining room, study, family room, or simply a way to brighten a kitchen, studio, or any other living area. Conservatories can be attached to an adjoining structure or used as a free-standing garden building. There are four basic styles in our designs: Bay-End, Rectangular, Lean-to and Orangery, and combinations of styles.

We are not limited to standard sizes or modular systems that are intended to save money by sacrificing detail, design excellence and quality of fabrication. We design and build custom conservatories that are beautiful, yet functional and practical.





Seeing the sky invites you to look out and enjoy your surroundings in any season and any weather



The essential question of any addition is, will it make you happy? A conservatory goes beyond being merely beautiful, to giving you greater enjoyment of your home.



To make that experience truly personal, our custom conservatories strive for the best balance of fine architectural detail and function. We can build in any size or shape. We can add dramatic roof lanterns to the center roof section with or without side window frames. Additional details include decorative pilasters, ridge cresting, finials and an unlimited range of glazing patterns in simulated divided lites, applied lead glazing and true-divided glazing.





A well designed conservatory complements the home it accompanies

Correct sizing of a conservatory starts with appropriate proportions of height and width relative to the adjoining structure. If there is a fixed space in which to construct the conservatory, we work backwards by dividing the space into individual bays that are proportionate, but not necessarily the same as the house window bays and details.





Even the traditional can take a contemporary turn

Our framing systems, whether hardwood or aluminum, allow a wide range of custom designs. If the setting calls for it, we will design and build a contemporary conservatory that marries well to its surroundings.

A modern design is created by using the structural characteristics of the classic conservatory and streamlining the details in a modern aesthetic. For any style, an option like folding sliding doors offers an inviting link between the house and garden.





Each of our conservatories is unique

In this design, we created a dramatic glass entry while respecting the strong masonry character of the home. The gable, projecting bay, and delicate lead glazing transform the simple lean-to shape into an impressive home addition. In one room, the entire home now has an intimate connection with the outdoors while still preserving the feeling of strength that the house exudes.





Orangeries

Historically, the orangerie is the predecessor of the conservatory. Its name is derived from its original use in Europe as a place to grow fruit imported from tropical climates.

Today, we create the orangerie style using a skylight (roof lantern) at the center of the roof with a flat perimeter that can vary in width. The perimeter has box gutters which allow for soffits in the interior. These soffits are perfect for accent lighting or to conceal wiring and offer space for heating and cooling.





Glass frees you from the constraints of ordinary architecture

In one special space, nature is welcomed into your home, creating an inviting transition to the outdoors. We study your home's details and character and provide a design that looks and feels like an integral part of the home while preserving a sense of openness, the ability to take in the surroundings instead of being separated from them.





The addition of one of our rooms can enhance your entire home

Your home is an expression of who you are and what you find important. Its design speaks about you, what you cherish, what you value.

Our orangeries create that special expression of you, while giving you a warm inviting connection to the natural world around you.





Orangeries offer appealing symmetry

The orangerie portrays the beauty and strength of understated elegance.

Orderly details and precise decoration make it mindful of its host structure while creating an inviting transition to the garden, terrace, or a pool.

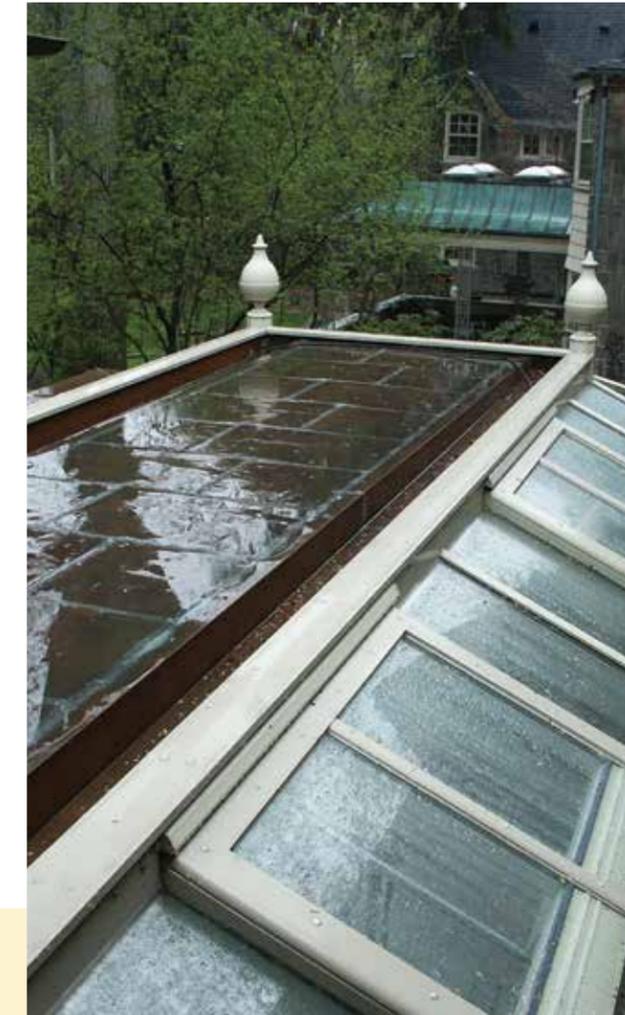
It is a style that can seem simple and obvious, yet dramatically compelling.





Thoughtful design respects its surroundings

Orangeries create rooms flooded with natural light while creating the feeling of a more enclosed space. This style can solve a variety of connection challenges and may be a better match for certain styles of homes.





Pool & Garden

The design of pool and garden houses involves the same considerations as conservatories. Scale and proportion to the grounds are as vital for a free standing conservatory as they are for any addition.

Our styles and features create spectacular yet functional rooms to complement or enclose your pool area or create a garden retreat away from the demands of everyday life.

Whether you use your conservatory for recreation, outdoor dining, or relaxing with friends and family, Town & Country creates a structure that brings your vision to life.





We turn something functional into something beautiful

Good architecture and engineering apply as much to conservatories as to all other construction.

Achieving a traditional style to complement this New England harbor front home was first subject to ensuring durable performance in a demanding pool enclosure environment.

High-performance glass, thermally broken frames, custom powder coat colors and coastal finish hardware are just some of the details we consider and options we provide.





Collaboration with your design professional is welcome

Some of our most beautiful projects are the result of inspiration from interior designers, architects, and home owners themselves.

Whatever the original idea, we work to ensure full consideration of design features, performance and ultimately enjoyment.

In the end, our buildings are an expression of who you are and your appreciation of good architecture.





Traditional growing spaces, tailored craftsmanship

While the majority of our conservatories are used as living spaces, many clients want exceptional buildings in which to grow or over-winter plants.

Depending on your plans, we will recommend the material to use and work with your contractor or garden specialist to ensure that all environmental details are thoroughly considered.





Public Spaces

In a public setting, conservatories and orangeries add elegance and excitement to your building or grounds. Common areas give your clients an exciting year round connection with the outdoors.

Whether working directly with your organization or with a hospitality design and architectural firm, we will create a new addition that dramatically complements your business.

From hotels to restaurants to condominiums, clients report a distinct preference for the conservatory space by customers and residents.



Mood can be transformed by surroundings

A successful public conservatory uses architectural beauty and nature to draw people in.

We want you to achieve a space that has the details and feeling that will enhance the user's experience. A conservatory that goes well beyond being merely beautiful, to being active. A space that inspires a desire to return.





Beauty is the promise of happiness

Happiness is what will make your customers return. They seek places that offer a haven, an enjoyable respite from the intensity of life. A place of calm and relaxation, inviting for friends and family.

Our conservatories achieve beauty with a precision of detail, scale and proportion while remaining aware of the practical needs of a public space. We work with you to achieve that balance.





Skylights

Quality materials meet old-world craftsmanship to create our array of English skylights (roof lanterns), the ideal accent to add elegance to your home or commercial space. Natural light engulfs the room and adds a comforting and warm atmosphere to your living, dining, patio, or other rooms. From ogee profile rafters to decorative glazing patterns, we offer many options to add character to your skylight.

Standard and custom skylights are available in hardwood or thermally broken aluminum.

See our prices and request a quote at:
www.EnglishSkylights.com





Transform any room into a light filled haven

Our designs are based on traditional English roof lanterns that brighten rooms with interesting architectural detail. Versatile and varied, a skylight can be a solution to a darkened stairwell or added to conventional construction to create a conservatory-like room.

Visit www.EnglishSkylights.com to see our range and specifications.



Design Essentials

Thoughtful design is required for creating this exciting change to your home. We begin by considering the following:

Position: Usage, location and relationship to other rooms is taken into account. South and West facing sites will receive more sun in the afternoon and evening, while north and east exposures will experience beautiful morning light. We use high-performance Low-E glass with excellent insulation and solar heat gain resistance values, allowing for comfortable year-round use.

Size & Style: A conservatory's size should be adequate for its intended use, but remain in proper proportion to the host structure. We can design to any style, from classically traditional to contemporary, and make the conservatory look as though it was always part of the original house or grounds. Ask about our comprehensive Planning & Design Guide for more details.

Material: We build in aluminum and hardwood. Hardwood buildings have aluminum clad roofs and specially made trim details that minimize maintenance. We also make specific recommendations for demanding environments like pool enclosures and growing spaces. Aluminum buildings emulate the detailing of hardwood conservatories while providing thermally broken frames and other high-performance features.

Connecting the Conservatory: We are often asked about connection to homes with limitations caused by existing construction. We have many ways to build attractive, functional connections by using flat roof sections, custom connecting links, and custom roof pitches. See the following examples.



Work within existing roof lines



Combine different styles



Retain roof volume away from house wall



Create an extraordinary kitchen



Build in urban locations



Preserve details such as historic bay windows



Accommodate second floor windows



Custom link to home



Integrate special features



Turn a height limitation into a rooftop balcony



Transform a courtyard



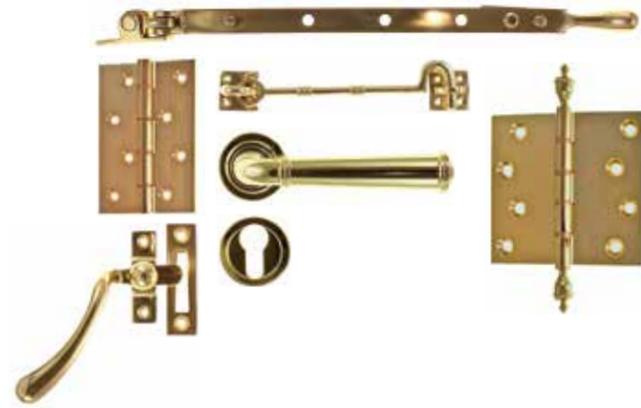
Match roof pitches

Architectural Hardware

We offer an outstanding selection of premier door and window hardware, designed and manufactured exclusively for our conservatories.

This color range allows for personal preferences, as well as enabling us to add the finishing touch that will complement a particular design or period. (Hardwood range shown)

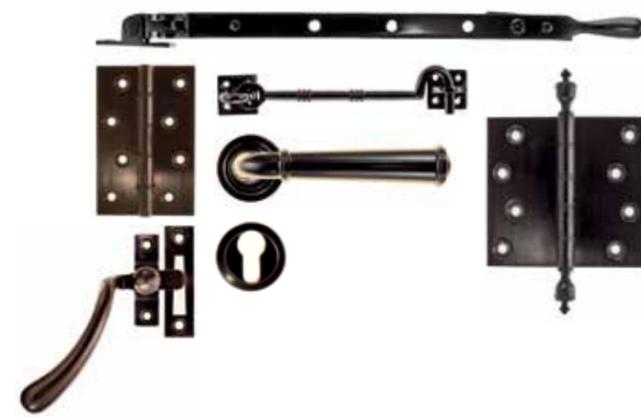
Brass



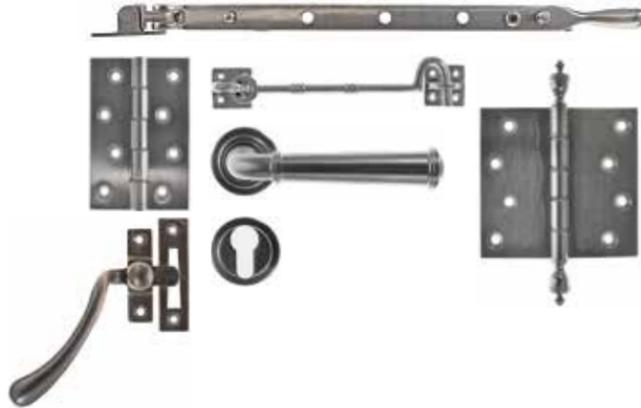
Polished Nickel



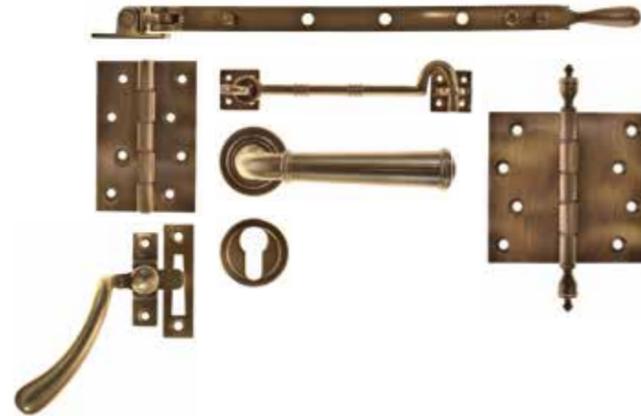
Bronze



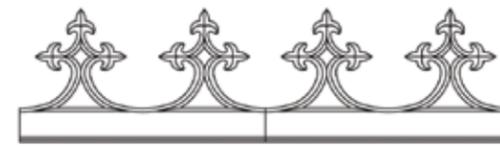
Satin Nickel



Antique Brass



Cresting, Finials & Gables



Victorian



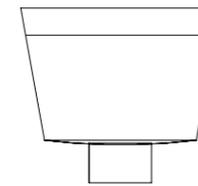
Fleur de Lys



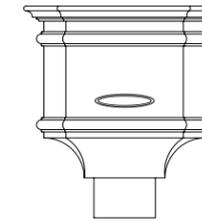
Quatrefoil



Diamond



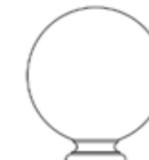
Plain Hopper Head



Decorative Hopper Head



Small Ball



Large Ball



Acorn



Onion



Obelisk



Spire



Quatrefoil



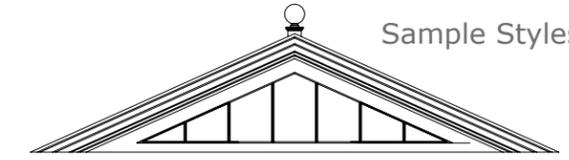
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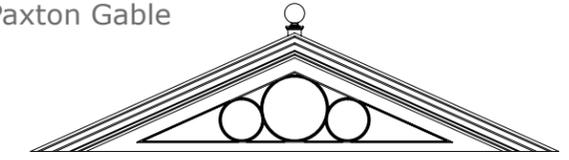
Ball & Spire



Ball & Spire II



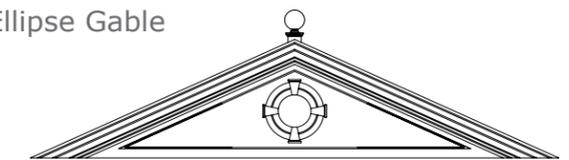
Paxton Gable



Circle Gable



Ellipse Gable

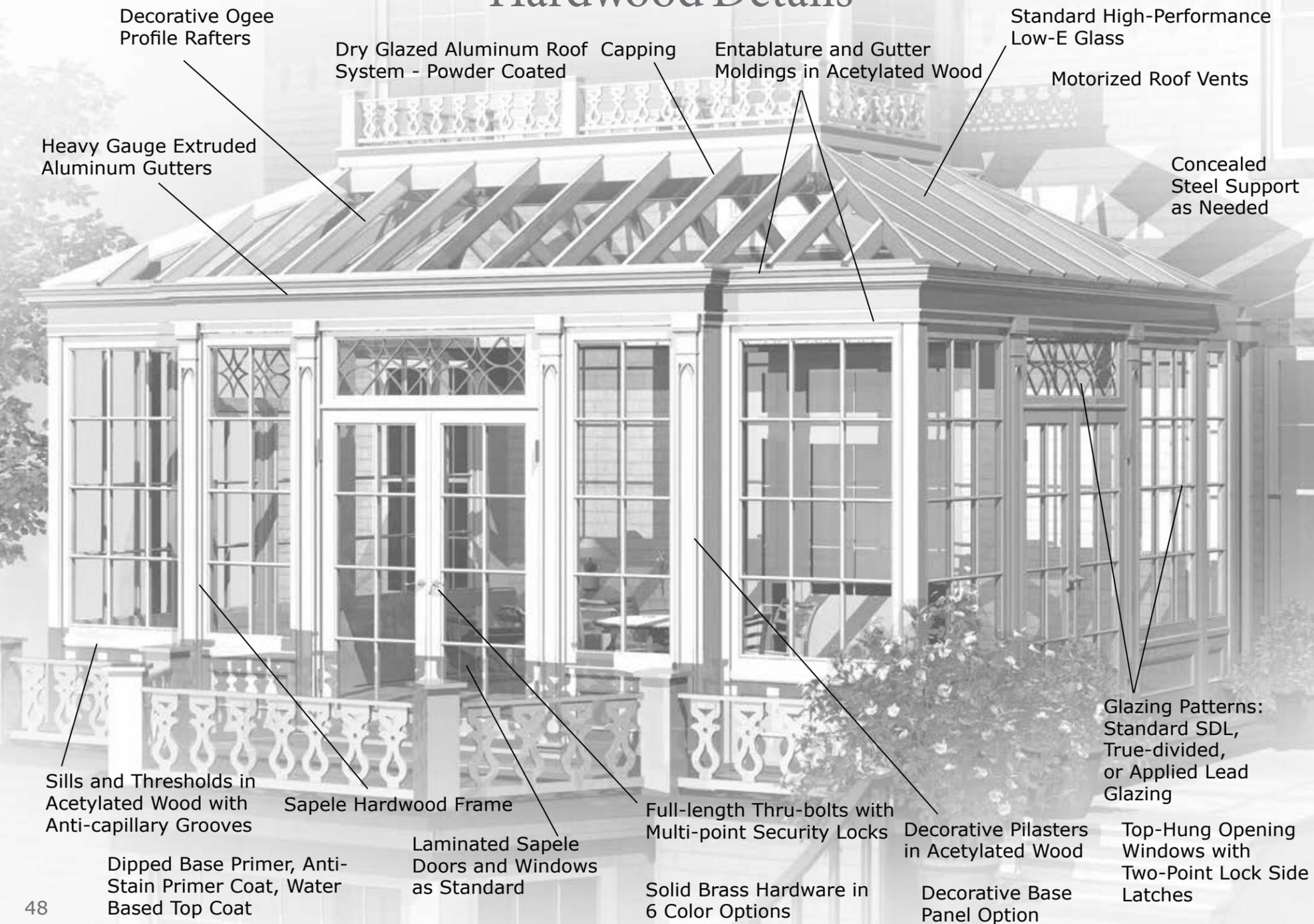


Gothic Gable

In hardwood or applied lead patterns

Sample Styles

Hardwood Details



Gothic Tracery Glazing



Optional Solid Roof



Applied Lead Glazing



Orangery Soffits



Ornate Cresting



Special Features



Custom Pilasters

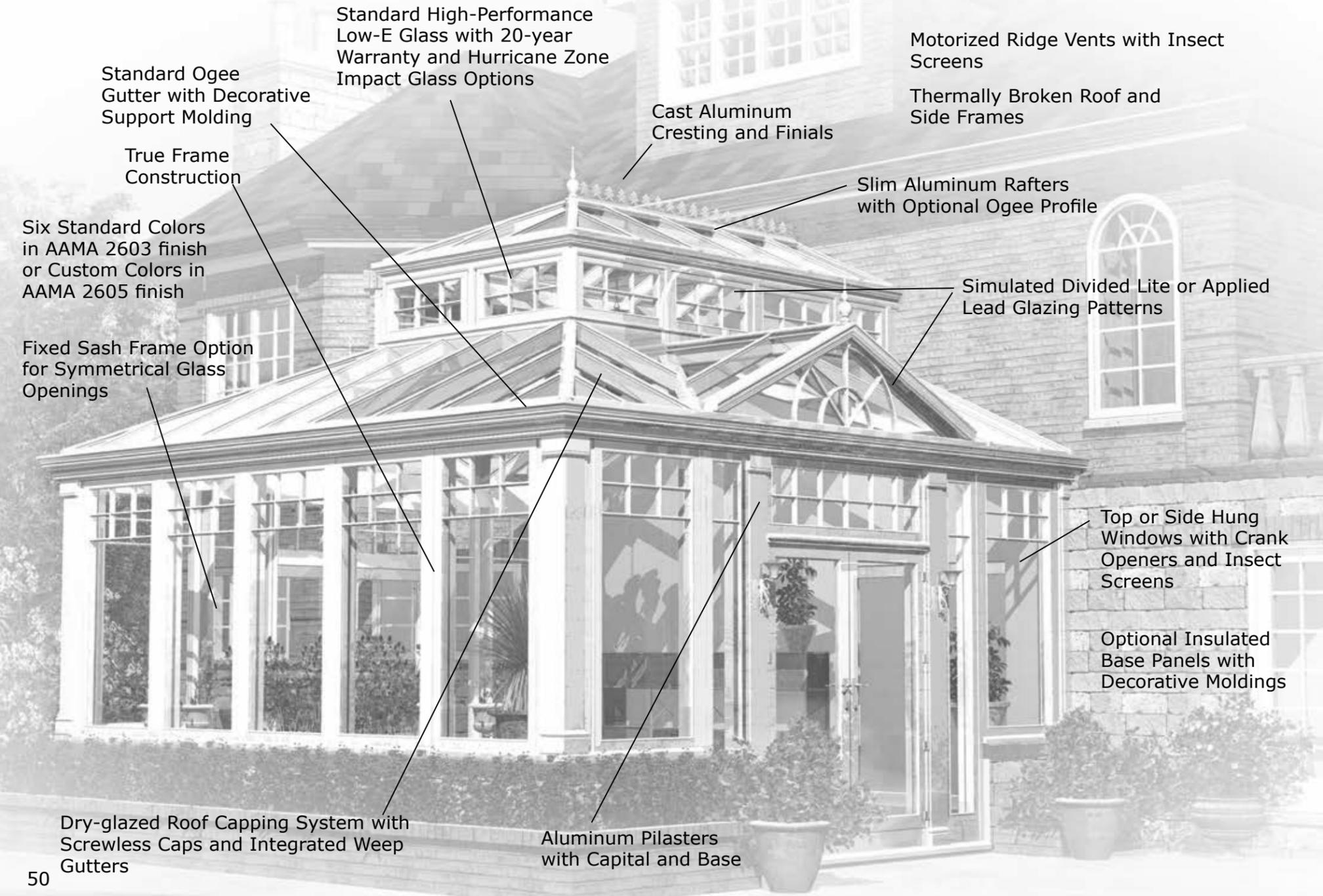


Custom Gable Glazing Pattern



Custom Lighting Solutions

Aluminum Details



Various Hardware Colors



Details that Emulate Hardwood



Manual or Electric Roof Shades



Fluted Side Frame Moldings



Insulated Base Panels



Applied Lead Glazing



Ogee Profile Rafters



Folding Sliding Doors



Custom Lighting Feature

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