



# orangeries

the new *must have* conservatory

The new contemporary Orangery<sup>®</sup> is fast becoming the new sought-after conservatory. Consumers are becoming more demanding, and the conservatory market is changing. Orangeries and more contemporary designs of conservatories are now the new must have addition to any home.

Orangeries were buildings frequently found in the grounds of fashionable residences from the 17th to the 19th century. The Orangery was similar to a greenhouse or conservatory and the name reflects the original use, as a place where citrus trees and exotic plants were often grown.

The Orangery originated from the Renaissance gardens of Italy and soon became symbols of status among the wealthy and was not just considered a greenhouse, but a symbol of prestige and wealth and a feature of the garden, in the same way as a summerhouse, folly or "Grecian temple". Owners would conduct tours for their guests not only to admire the fruits but also the architecture. They also became areas to entertain in inclement weather and housed fountains and grottos.

The new Orangeries of today are a cross between a traditional brick built extension and a conservatory. You therefore have the advantages of better insulation and privacy of a brick extension, but with the added advantages of more glazing to the sides and roof, creating extra light and a feeling of space. The main difference between an Orangery and a conservatory is its structure. Generally a Conservatory is regarded as a temporary non-integral part of the building whereas an Orangery is a strong structure, with its classical detail an Orangery creates a striking visual impact which is much more architecturally pleasing than a conservatory. Due to their design and structure they are more practical like an extension and offer a year round living space.

They can be used to extend kitchens or dining rooms, the choices are endless from a small snug space to relax or a place to dine and entertain. Orangeries have the strength and flexibility to meet all needs with a wide range of materials to choose from, every detail is tailor made to your style and choice. Weather your ideals are Contemporary or Traditional either finishes are available or blending the two is very fashionable and more importantly it works!

Simply, Orangeries are a conservatory with brickwork or stone cladding separating window frames, with an internal lighting panel with trendy spotlights, and stunning glass roofs to create a great effect. Internally you can create any style you wish with options such as under floor heating, timber or tiled floors, air conditioning and even surround sound.

Traditionally, Orangeries have been considered expensive, with Handways bespoke buildings suitable for period properties. Headways range with their new RAPIDFIT Orangery system is available in Hardwood, PVCu and Aluminium, all built to your own specifications.

Headways Orangery RAPIDFIT roof system has been designed as a complete bespoke solution by structural engineers and has taken over 2 years to develop. It is unique in that it is currently the "only" structurally qualified traditional flat Orangery roofing system available.

Due to its ingenious design Headways Orangeries can be fully installed within 2 weeks, making them more cost effective than an extension and not much more expensive than a traditional conservatory. Headways Orangeries are

reasonably competitive, they add higher value to your home, they give added space and they're a great lifestyle solution with the real wow factor.

Choosing the right company to build your Orangery or conservatory is very important, they are a valuable addition to any home and must be designed to suite your needs and property perfectly. It is also important that they are built structurally sound. At Headway Doors & Windows Ltd we have a qualified design team who can give sound advice on what design would suite your home and needs, with qualified surveyors and structural engineers to ensure every detail is built to last.

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