

## Hilton Court Gardens, Wales



### At a glance

#### Location

Hilton Court Gardens and Crafts  
Pembrokeshire, Wales

#### The challenge

To create a 'mini Eden project' a stone's throw from St Brides bay.

#### The solution

SOLARDOME<sup>®</sup> Paradise

#### Dome specification

Diameter	10.1m / 33' 3"
Height	5.2m / 17' 1"
Area	77m <sup>2</sup> / 829ft <sup>2</sup>

### A jewel set in 12 acres of natural beauty

Hilton Court Gardens and Crafts is a family business which the Lynches have been running for over 25 years. The centre is based in a location of stunning natural beauty with coastal views overlooking St. Brides Bay in Pembrokeshire.

The Lynches have cultivated the 12 acres into lakes, gardens, ponds and woodland - all of which provide visitors with endless walking trails. However it's not just the peace and tranquillity of nature to enjoy, there are also some of Wales' finest art and crafts on offer – from paintings to pottery. Visitors can also sample home-cooked meals in the restaurant and the tea room which both over-look beautiful flower gardens and cobbled courtyards.

### Creating a tropical oasis

At the centre of the gardens is a magnificent 10m Solardome<sup>®</sup> glasshouse, aptly named the 'Paradise' model as the Lynches have turned it into a tropical oasis. Here visitors can retreat at the end of the day to unwind, escape with tea and cake when the weather takes a cold turn or just admire the exotic plants. However the Lynches don't just use this unique space as an

additional indoor/outdoor seating area. They also run yoga and well-being classes in the dome and have even hosted a wedding reception. The dome is available all year round for hire, whether it is for weddings, birthday parties, well-being sessions or music nights. The Lynchs have made sure the dome isn't just a stunning focal point or a place to sit and enjoy the scenery – they have also maximised its potential by using it for a multitude of commercial ventures.

### In their own words

Cheryl & Peter Lynch said “It's a mini Eden project a stone's throw from St Brides bay.

“The dome ensures natural daylight and warmth all year around, creating a unique restorative environment area even on the coldest of days. You could imagine yourself in a tropical paradise.



“Sympathetically planted with semi tropical plants the dome is a relaxing space drawing the imagination from our temperate shores. Our SOLARDOME® Paradise creates a place to feel close to nature, a place to relax, reflect and enjoy.

“The dome makes a stunning focal point in our gardens and we often use it for well-being groups; it is especially useful for yoga as it is such a calming space and stays warm even when it is cold and windy outside.

“The dome is a truly amazing and unique environment.”



Some of the comments the Lynch's have received about their dome include:

“Sitting back in the thatched hut I could have been back in the Caribbean.”

“Peace, quiet and tropical plants... bliss!”

“Sitting amongst the tropical plants I felt as though I was on a winter sun holiday.”

### More information

Find out more about our glasshouses and how they can help you get the most of your facility by calling us for a brochure now.

This dome also features in a video in which Peter Lynch talks about his experience of the dome. To watch it go to: [goo.gl/Zsf249](https://goo.gl/Zsf249)

