

# HESTERCOMBE GARDENS VISITOR CENTRE

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New visitor centre for an 18th century picturesque garden, and a 20th century garden by Edwin Lutyens and Gertrude Jekyll.

It required the repair and extensive alterations of a stable complex to make ticket office facilities, cafe, shop, function and interpretation areas as well as external ramps, walks and landscaping to control and improve access and setting for the gardens.

Client: Hestercombe Gardens Trust

Contractor: C S Williams Ltd

Date: 2000 - 2006

Value: £ 1,400,000

Awards: Stansell Award 2006, Taunton Deane Borough & Civic Society Commendation 2006

- 1 Gables glimpsed through the courtyard canopy
- 2 Courtyard cafe
- 3 Canopy post
- 4 South range
- 5 Early landscape scheme
- 6 South range reinstated
- 7 Entrance courtyard
- 8 Entrance through the old gardeners area
- 9 Entrance counter
- 10 Servery
- 11 Cafe in the old stables