Summerhouses

There are eight remaining brick built summerhouses in the gardens. After years of neglect most were in poor condition and partially collapsed, but have been carefully restored. There are elaborate and stylish designs, meant for leisure and comfort rather than as simply a tool store. Several had fireplaces, and a couple had basements. English Heritage recognised their unique character, and several were designated as Grade II* Listed Buildings. It was this listing that saved the gardens from development.



Plot 17 Before restoration



After restoration. This Summerhouse has a fireplace and a storage basement

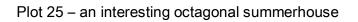


Plot 22 Before restoration



After







Interior – with fireplace.