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Infusing your vision with our experience is second nature to us.

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Whether it's a garden room, a secure home for your classic cars or a large oak framed pool house, each outbuilding and extension we build is completely bespoke, designed to match your individual needs and complement your home.

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What truly sets us apart is our commitment to pushing the boundaries of design and construction. We can deliver large and complicated projects, due to our expertise as a home builder, with superior spans in our oak frames, unique products such as our wow factor face glazing, and the highest quality materials in proportions that feel perfectly balanced. No matter how big or small, our buildings offer an unrivalled sense of grandeur and strength, allowing us to create more expansive, open-plan interiors and versatile layouts that accommodate your every need.

We don't stop at just building the framework—where appropriate our designs are **habitable-ready specification**, meaning your space is not only structurally sound but when fully finished, ready for comfortable, everyday living.

We believe that your project will be a valuable addition to your home and also an opportunity to create meaningful memories and special moments every day.

Here's to the exciting beginning of crafting your bespoke additional space. We hope we can work together to nurture your vision and bring your dream oak framed space to life.

Tim Crump

Founder & Chairman





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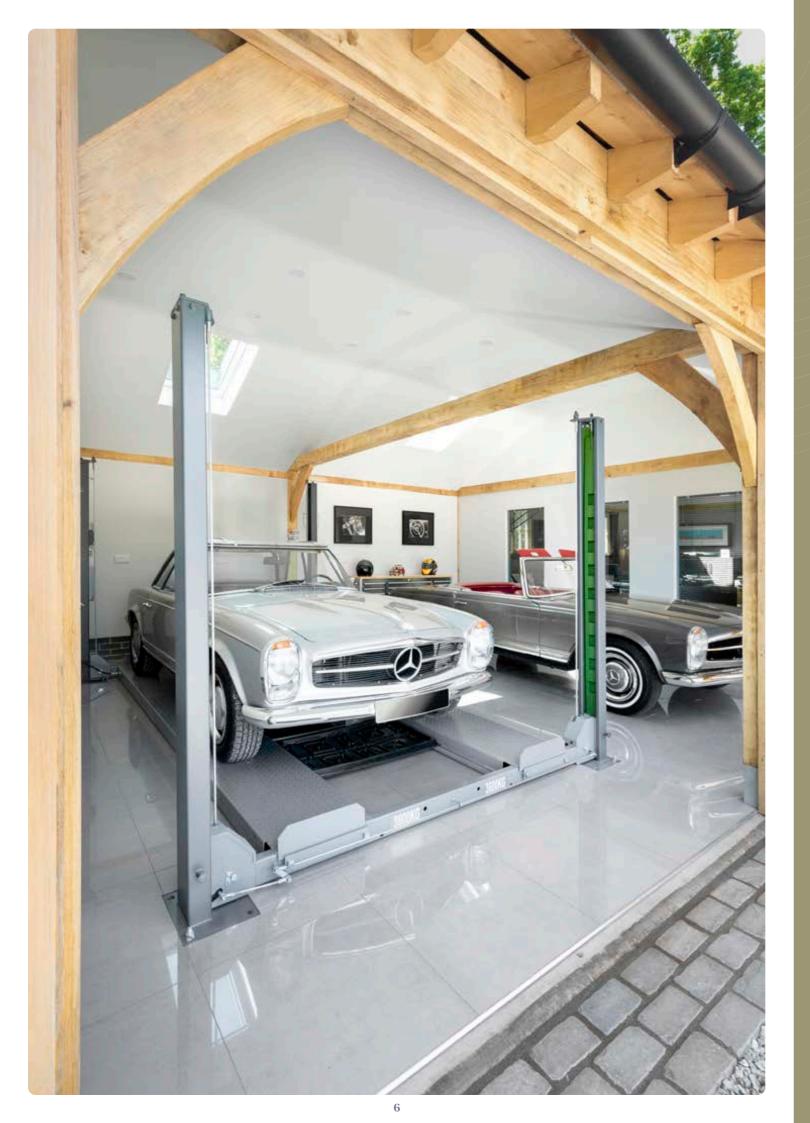
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We provide a range of expertly crafted timber outbuildings.
From single storey and room over garages to annexes and barns, we blend traditional craftsmanship and modern design techniques to produce bespoke oak frame buildings that brings your vision to reality.

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Draw inspiration from our clients' experiences and let these amazing projects guide you as you create your brief!

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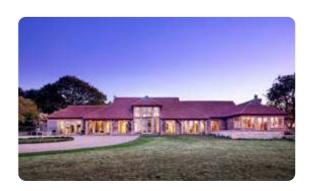
Mark and Clare's ultimate family pool house retreat



Bringing new life to the pool house.

Having found their dream home in rural West Sussex, Mark and Clare dived straight into replacing a neighbouring building with a new build pool house complete with a guest annexe and gym. The couple's love of barnstyle buildings and appreciation of craft matched with modern efficiencies led them to create the ultimate luxurious additional space for their home.

"When we bought the house there was a pool building in situ in need of renovation," says Mark. Together they met with our Regional Architect Darren Blackwell to discuss plans for a spacious new oak framed pool house including a kitchen, gym and a large guest suite leading to an alfresco seating area. Their first planning application was approved in a matter of weeks following submission.



What our client said

"There's something evocative about an oak frame building. To have this raw, natural structure blended with modern technology it's my perfect blend."



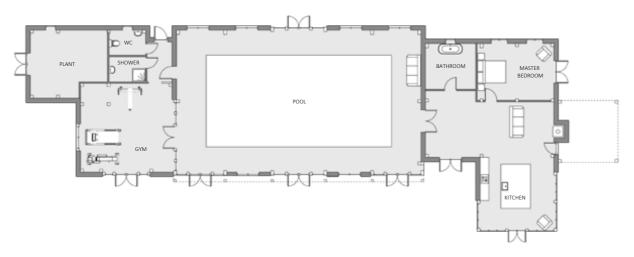




Guests, including Mark and Clare's family can enjoy a stay in the pool house's luxurious living quarters.







Larger-scale, carefully crafted.

When researching the perfect partner to realise their vision, Mark and Clare recognised that our expertise in larger-scale complex projects and dedication to craftsmanship would seamlessly meet their needs. They worked closely with our teams to create their bespoke oak frame enveloped with our WrightWall pre-insulated timber panel system, more usually incorporated into our home projects.

Sustainable materials, modern methods.

It was important for Mark and Clare that their new build was designed and constructed with the future in mind. Their love of oak stemmed from their previous 15th century timber frame home, however it was poorly insulated and uncomfortable.

An underfloor heating system is powered by a ground source heat pump that's connected to a series of pipes in 145 metre deep boreholes in their adjacent field. This "heats our pool, as well as our home and the cottage next door," says Mark.

This system works in conjunction with our high performing oak face glazing and WrightWall pre-insulated panel system.

Together they provide high levels of insulation and airtightness to create an elegant energy efficient building the couple can be proud of.

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Outbuilding details

Dimensions: (w) 36 m x (d) 13.9 m x (h) 6.7 m

Area: 358 m²

Design: Bespoke barn with habitable specification throughout

Exterior finish: Larch weatherboarding, clay roof tiles, oak eaves and verges, flint and brick plinth, copper gutters and lead dormer panels

Windows: Oak casement windows

Doors: Stable door, personnel door, glazed oak

french doors

Planning: Planning required

Great design ideas

- The oak frame is based around 195 mm² oak timbers, larger oak pegs and floor to ceiling curved sling braces to achieve the extensive span of at least 7 m, without the need for any steel
- A central glazed gable helps break up the roof, giving it a more balanced appearance.
 Brick and flint plinth detail enhances the design, helping it blend seamlessly with the surroundings
- Oak floor joists are used in the lounge area to create a cosy atmosphere within the expansive space
- Glazing on all four sides allows natural light to flood in and offers unobstructed views through the building, minimising its visual impact
- · Handmade clay tiles with bonnet hips
- An underfloor heating system with ground source heat pump, built using our pre-insulated panel system

By Oakwrights

Architectural Design | Planning | Oak Frame | WrightWall & WrightRoof | Weatherboarding



Darren Blackwell, Regional Architectural Designer

What Darren says: "The build form of the pool house is barn style in nature, with feature projecting barn entrances being the focal point of the design. The additions of the guest annexe and kitchen mean the building is independent from the house. The elevational treatment was one of stock facing brickwork and horizontal timber feather-edged boarding, with the stepped ridge and eaves roofscape being of these handmade, plain clay tiles."

Mr & Mrs Gallimore's

home fitness and leisure complex



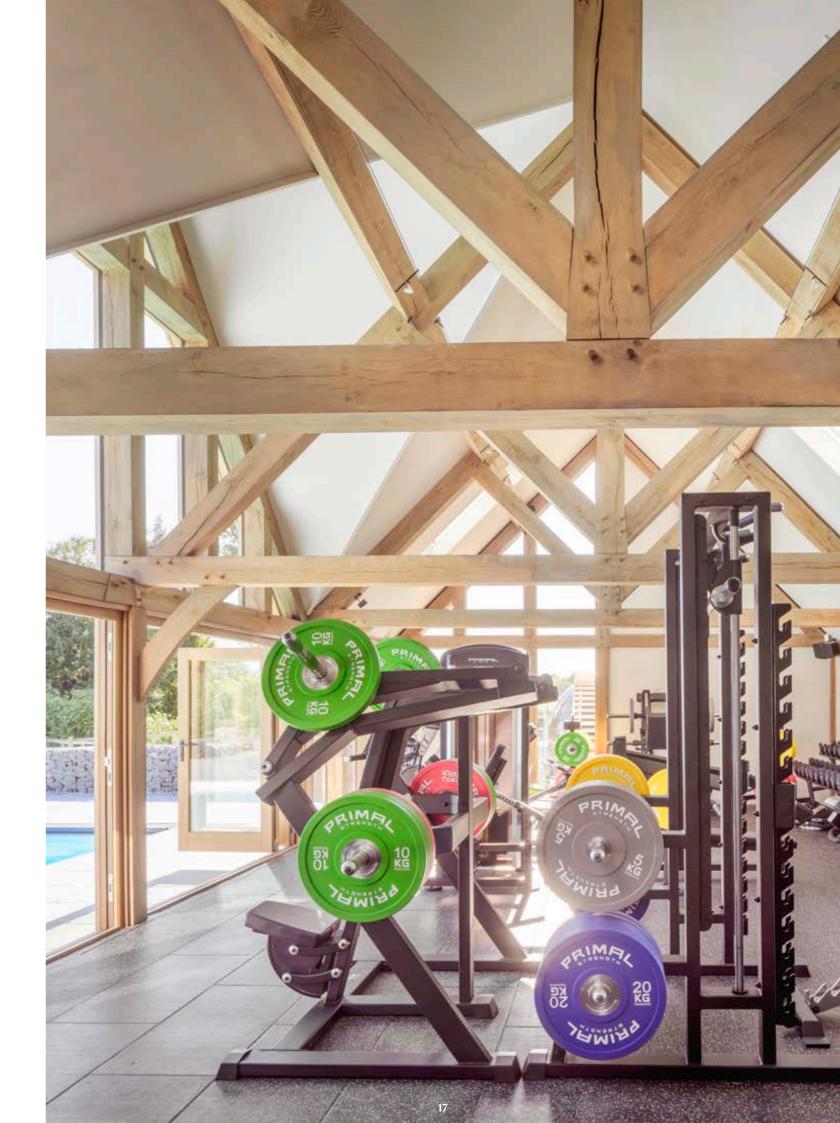
A pair of multipurpose oak framed outbuildings.

When the Gallimore's purchased their period property, they instinctively knew the old leaky pool and dilapidated pool house in their garden oozed potential. Their vision was to replace the existing pool house with an oak framed gym and build a new pool house alongside a replacement pool. Our Gloucester and Highgrove garage designs provided the basis for transforming their existing outdated garden area into a state-of-the-art modern gym and pool with an indoor-outdoor entertaining space.

A next-level home gym.

A double height oak framed face glazed gable creates a stunning focal point and entrance to their gym, flooding it with natural light and uninterrupted views of their pool and historic home. As big gym fans, the couple wanted to create their dream workout space. "We love our gym. We both use the gym daily and our two teenage sons use it regularly," explains Mrs Gallimore.







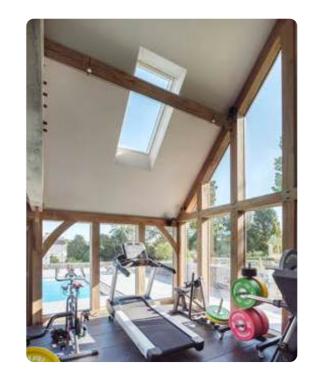
"The main requirement for the gym design was scale as this outbuilding needed to house all of the couple's equipment," explains George Allen, one of our Outbuilding & Extensions Specialists. A vaulted roof was key to allow enough space for squat racks, with plenty of wall space to house equipment and mirrors. "The addition of rooflights allowed for good ventilation and light," continues George." All of these elements lent themselves to a modified Gloucester garage, perfect for the Gallimores.

Effortless pool-side entertaining.

The couple's brand new pool house is a luxurious social space built for long lazy pool-side summer days. "The pool house is a great space to watch sport and socialise with friends as we have a bar area and pool table. It's been amazing when the weather is good to have all bi-fold doors open and enjoy the views out to the open fields," smiles Mrs Gallimore.

Fitted with a stunning wood kitchen - and a disco ball! - the design is a modified three-bay single storey Highgrove garage. The pool house





now flawlessly compliments the neighbouring gym whilst creating an impressive courtyard with their pool in the centre.

A streamlined design process.

The Gallimore's opted to base both outbuildings on standard designs from our garage range. This savvy decision at the beginning of their design journey reduced both design fees and their build timeline as their project moved quickly through the earlier stages of the process.

What our client said

"We love the quality and sustainability of oak. We've always preferred oak frames and the character they add to a building."







The three bays all have different functions, from the bar and kitchen nearest the house, to the pool table centrally positioned to maximise playing space. The far end L-shaped seating offers views over the pool with the double set of bi-folds creating a seamless indoor outdoor area.

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Outbuilding details

Dimensions:

Gym: (w) 14.6 m x (d) 6.3 m x (h) 5.8 m Pool house: (w) 8.9 m x (d) 5.5 m x (h) 4.3 m

Area: Gym 92 m². Pool house 49 m²

Design: 4.5 bay Gloucester and 3 bay Highgrove garages with habitable specification throughout

Exterior finish: Larch weatherboarding and slate roof tiles

Windows: Face glazing, fixed screens and rooflights on both buildings

Doors: Double bi-fold doors and personnel door

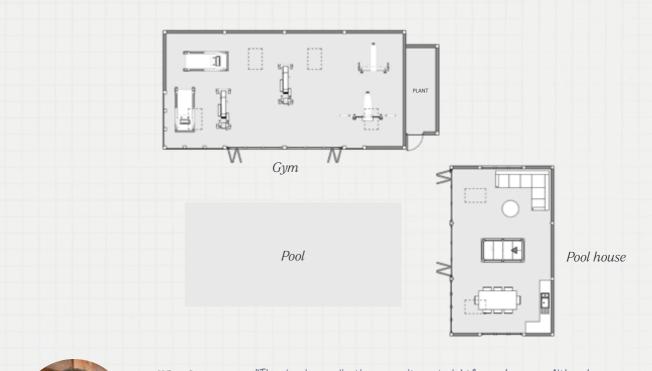
Planning: Planning required

Great design ideas

- · Vaulted roof space to allow tall gym equipment
- 6.3 m span in the gym building, 5.5 m in the pool house, with a 45-degree roof on the gym and 35-degree on the pool house
- Fully insulated to a habitable standard, ensuring a comfortable environment
- Feature central pitched gable on the gym brings in plenty of light, creating an airy feel
- Double bi-folding doors open to seamlessly connect the indoors with the outdoors
- Large, full-height face glazing frames the outdoor pool area from the gym, while rooflights provide natural light and ventilation
- A half-bay on the right side of the gym serves as a neatly tucked-away 'plant room'

By Oakwrights

Design | Oak Frame | Weatherboarding | Joinery | Face Glazing | Roofing | Rooflights





George Allen, Outbuilding & Extensions Specialist

What George says: "The planning application was quite a straightforward process. Although the new buildings are semi-substantial, we found that the development in the local area, along with the secluded nature of the plot, gave us good reason to push forward with the project. The existing pool building also meant the replacement oak frame pool house would have not been considered additional floor space, making the overall application less of a big ask."

The Moss family's

dream driving range in Cheshire

A beautifully crafted hole-in-one.

When the Moss family decided to extend their popular Cheshire golf range, the lure of oak was a calling they simply couldn't ignore. "We've always dreamt of an oak building. When the decision to extend became possible it was a natural choice," smiles David. Their new oak frame extension is a beautiful yet





functional future-proofing pilot for what would replace their entire driving range over the next few years. "We needed more covered bays to accommodate our increasing number of customers," explains Sandra.

Rising to a new design challenge.

It was key to the design that no obstructive support columns were visible at the front of the building. The solution? A stunning unsupported cantilever frame spanning three metres that both aligned with what a classical truss-type timber framed building should be and also looked incredible. "Matt Atton's expertise as our Head of Outbuildings Frame Designer was essential in developing the cantilever design," says Anthony Williams, one of our Outbuilding & Extensions Specialists. "Made up of 12 consecutive bays, it must be one of the longest frames we've ever built."

An adaptable commercial project.

The family's decision to work with us meant that they could realise their dreams of an impressive traditionally hand crafted aesthetic with the practical needs of a commercial enterprise. "We've always preferred timber as it has a warmer, softer and more homely feel than steel structures' explains David. "Oakwrights built a large oak framed wedding venue locally, so we knew what they could produce." The oak-framed bays are very popular with our golfers; they love the traditional ambience and the high quality finish.

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Outbuilding details

Dimensions: (w) 36 m x (d) 8.3 m x (h) 5.1 m

Area: 299 m²

Design: Bespoke

Exterior finish: Larch weatherboarding and steel profile roof sheets

Planning: Planning required

By Oakwrights

Design | Oak Frame | Weatherboarding

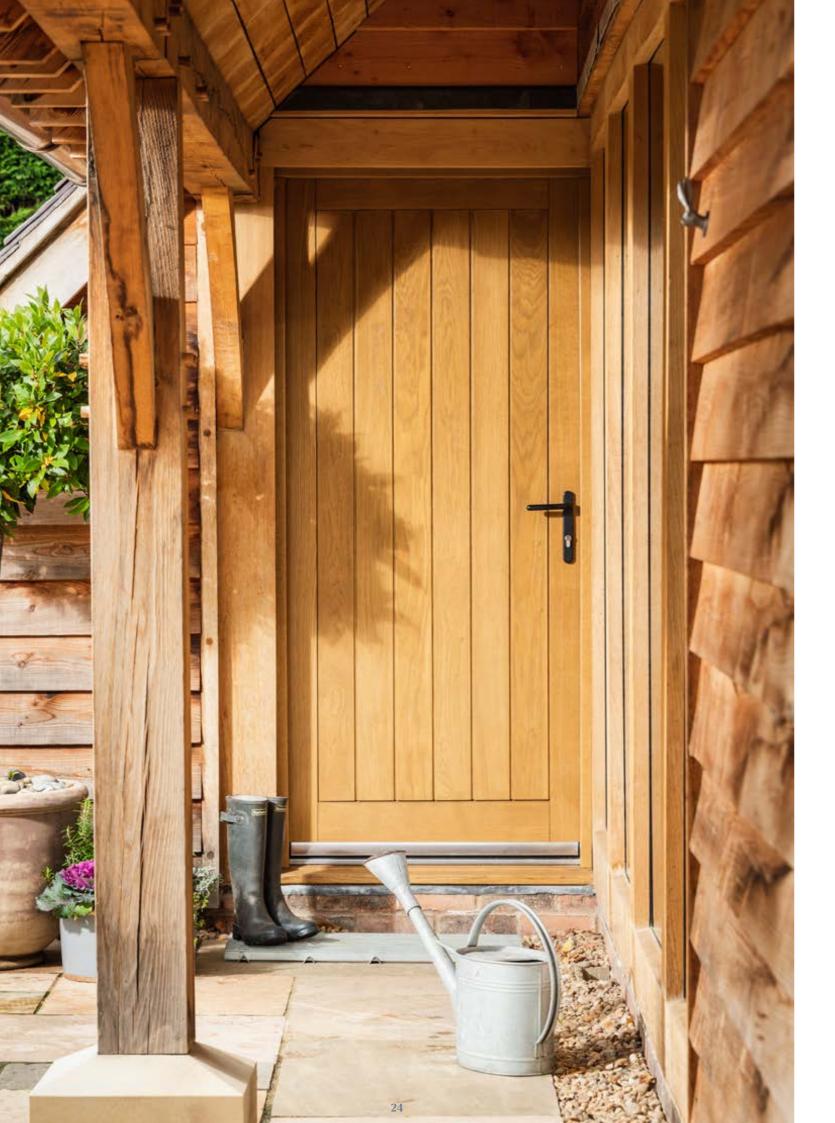
Great design ideas

- Oak posts define the individual bays, blending naturally with the golf course environment
- A specially designed cantilevered oak frame mimics the traditional style of a driving range while maintaining clear sightlines without any oak compromising visibility
- Alternative uses could include a covered walkway or link
- Clients love the ambiance of the oak framed section of the driving range



Anthony Williams, Outbuilding & Extensions Specialist

What Anthony says: "Conventionally, in an oak framed structure there would be supporting posts on the front elevation. However, a clear open space was required for golfers, so the cantilever design was devised. Our Head of Outbuildings Frame Design, Matt Atton's, expertise was absolutely essential. The building took around four weeks to install and clad, with David and Sandra choosing to have oak rafters in the roof that will age well along with the frame."



Mark and Sarah's garden barn and rural retreat



A warm oak framed welcome.

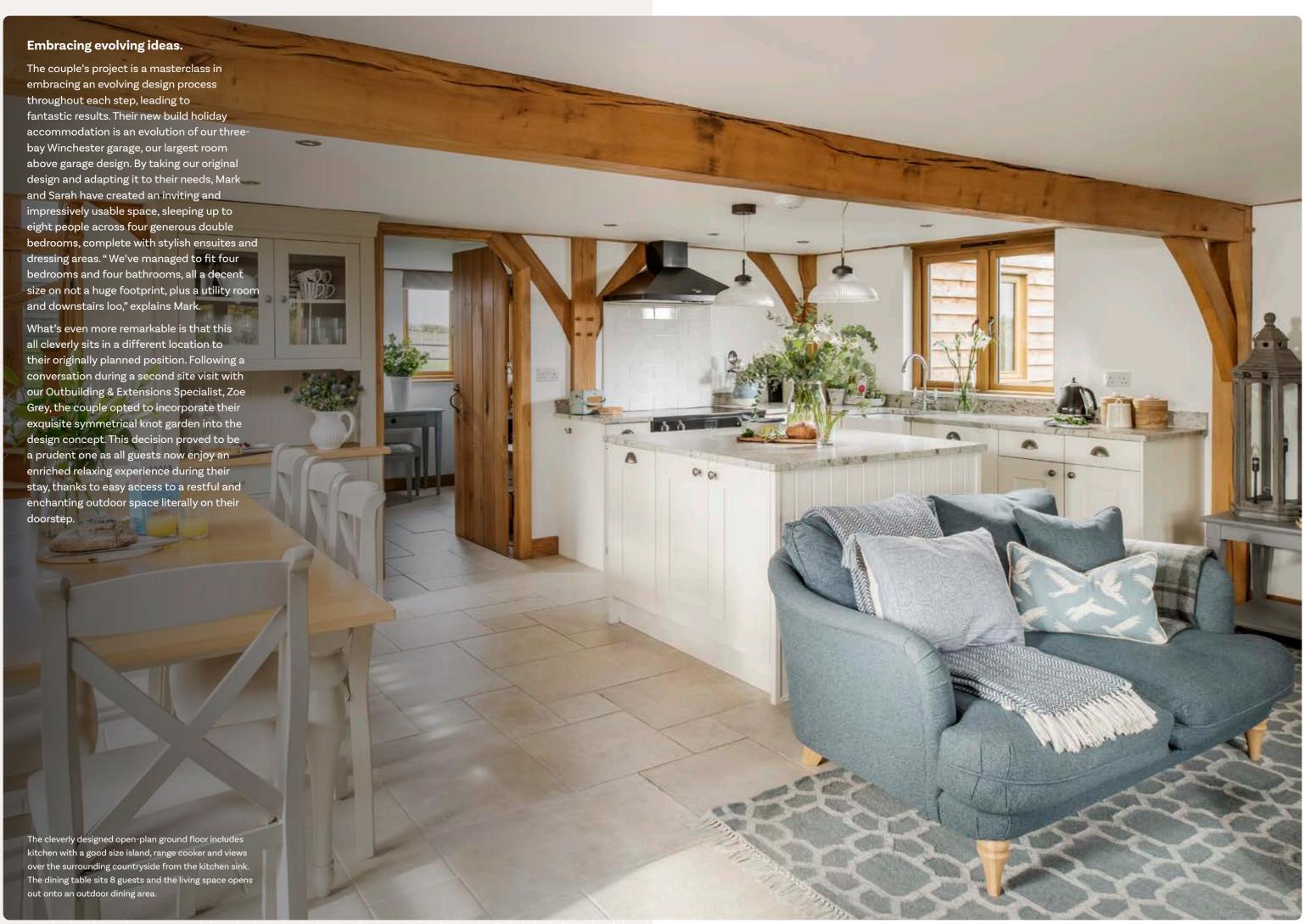
Mark and Sarah had a eureka moment when researching ways to earn an income from the scenic land accompanying their farmhouse home in rural Leicestershire. Having lived in a picturesque village for 17 years, surrounded by rolling countryside views as far as the eye can see, the emerging staycation market captured their imaginations. The seed for a high-end self-catered holiday business was sown and the vision for their oak framed rural retreat 'Stop in the Sticks' began to take shape.

To help them turn their rural tourism plans for a cottage-style garden barn called 'Hare's Furrow' into a beautifully unique, warm and welcoming oak framed reality, the couple approached numerous oak frame suppliers to gain inspiration for their upcoming project. However "after visiting Oakwrights and seeing the quality of their operation and manufacturing, we were blown away!" beams Mark.



What our client said

"Guests are very impressed with the aesthetic. They love the material and they love the idea of an oak framed home."







The modern style pergola continues the oak frame into the outdoor living spaces creating a lovely shaded dining area.



The catslide roof which cleverly contains the utility.

Maximising space beyond expectations.

The couple's flexibility during the design process continued to lead them in good stead when it came to shaping its interior, turning our room above garage design into an incredible usable space exceeding beyond expectations. "Once we had agreed on the basic form, we then added in features such as a large double height window to the hall and sling trusses upstairs in the bedroom spaces," explains Mark. "It was an organic process that I'm sure Kevin McCloud from Grand Designs would be giving knowing looks to the camera over!"

Downstairs a meticulously designed openplan kitchen/dining/living area sits at the heart of their cottage-style garden barn. Mark and Sarah's eye for detail ensured they worked closely with us to efficiently delineate these spaces without compromising on aesthetics, providing sizable social and dining spaces that can comfortably house eight people in each at once. A calm palette of soothing neutral tones and hand-selected furnishings sets off the warmth of the oak and fills guests with that familiar 'home away from home' feeling.

Reaching impressive new heights.

Upstairs, the couple made the savvy choice with the Winchester design which increases the roof height by one metre versus other styles. This not only results in wonderfully dramatic internal ceiling height but also opens up the available floor space to accommodate essential elements such as having a bed positioned against a wall underneath its majestic ceilings. "The extra metre upstand makes all the difference to the feeling of space in the room," smiles Mark. "Our guests love them."

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Right: The sling braces atop the stairs allows guests to have a close up look at the craftsmanship of the oak frame.







Sling braces on the first floor create zones for the bedroom and dressing areas.

Above: placing sinks in the dormer window allows good head height and spacious feel on a small footprint.







Zoe Grey, Outbuilding & Extensions Specialist

What Zoe says: "To create this beautiful project we wanted the space to be practical, easy to look after and use every available centimetre to maximise the space we had. This was always destined to be let out as a holiday let so fitting in as many luxuries as possible was important to our lovely clients. This included four ensuite bedrooms and a vaulted gallery with floor to ceiling glazing that you see as soon as you walk through the door which is stunning. We added extra oak features to make sure that there was oak in all the important spaces, but then minimised it in practical areas such as the kitchen."

Outbuilding details

Dimensions: (w) 9.7 m x (d) 11.7 m x (h) 6.9 m

Area: 151 m²

Design: 3 bay Winchester garage with habitable specification throughout, plus additional catslide roof and rear two storey gable.

Exterior finish: Larch weatherboarding, clay roof tiles, brick plinth

Windows: Face glazing, dormer windows, windows, rooflights

Doors: Personnel, glazed french doors

Planning: Planning required

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Joinery I Face Glazing

Great design ideas

- Catslide roof offers discreet utility space, porch, and veranda for rainy days
- Feature face glazed stairwell and vaulted hallway glazing create an immediate wow factor
- Sling braces zone the bedrooms with style and function
- Dormer windows maximise first-floor height and natural light
- Oak pergola frames the outdoor dining area.
 6.3 m clear span and 45-degree roof pitch for a spacious feel
- Fully insulated to Annexe specifications for year-round comfort
- Warm neutral palette with greys for a cosy atmosphere
- Oak joinery with traditional black ironmongery adds warmth and elegance
- Extra braces ensure structural support



Nicola & Simon's

luxury room above garage business venture



Fuelled by a love of classic cars.

Nicola and Simon had an oak framed vision for a stylish and safe space to store their beloved classic cars whilst complementing the rustic charm of their new home in Leicestershire.

Following their move, the couple chanced upon one of our adverts in a car magazine and "Oakwrights seemed like the perfect match for our project" says Nicola.

A little research assured them we had all the expertise and experience needed to design and build exactly what they wanted - an addition that would do justice to their home as well as their car collection. As part of the brief for their additional space, the pair spotted an opportunity for an exciting new business venture and an extra source of income. Together they leapt at the chance to create a chic and spacious area above the garage for accommodating guests.



What our client said

"You know you've got it right when visitors are so comfortable they don't want to leave...we've received staggeringly good reviews on Airbnb."











Three bays are dedicated open-plan living with the bedroom located in the adjoining corner section. The remaining room above space is used for storage.

Outbuilding details

Dimensions: (w) 16 m x (d) 12.5 m x (h) 5.8 m plus stairs

Area: 285 m²

Design: 7 bay Gloucester garage with habitable specification on the first floor

Exterior finish: Larch weatherboarding, slate roof tiles, brick plinth

Windows: Dormer windows, windows, rooflights

Doors: Garage doors and half glazed personnel

Planning: Planning required

Great design ideas

- · L-shape design creates a welcoming
- Existing outbuildings were thoughtfully incorporated into the design
- providing spaciousness and flow
- · Upstairs features no exposed oak, but oak doors and flooring tie the design together
- · Rooflights on both elevations bring in abundant natural light
- · Remaining roof space above garage

By Oakwrights

Design | Planning | Oak Frame | Weatherboarding | Joinery



- courtyard feel
- The carport section offers a 6.3 m span,
- used for storage

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George Allen, **Outbuilding & Extensions Specialist**

What George says: "Simon and Nicola came to me needing space for an impressive car collection and additional room for guests. The room above Gloucester was the perfect solution, offering space at ground floor for three vehicles to be parked, along with workshop space at the rear. At first floor, we designed a self contained annex, complete with bedroom, kitchen, dining and seating area. Simon and Nicola have since set this up as a beautiful Airbnb, to enable guests to explore the amazing countryside setting!"

Their delightful oak framed room above garage, based on the Gloucester style in an L-shape format, was the perfect option for the couple to create five new homes for their classic car collection below, with a beautifully appointed airy and light-swathed onebedroom guest accommodation above.

A smart and stylish holiday let.

The guest area above the three-bay carport section garage includes a well-equipped open-plan kitchen and cosy dining area with a comfortable and roomy living space as well as a generous separate bedroom with an ensuite bathroom.

Fresh, bright white and neutral tones add to the feeling of light and height and have proved to be a winning combination. "You know you've done something right when guests are reluctant to leave," shares Nicola.

A carefully considered external palette of natural and enduring materials - including oak weatherboarding and a slate tiled roof - ensures their new additional building sits harmoniously in the landscape next to their historic home.

"I particularly love the design, quality of materials and, of course, the builds fabulous good looks" smiles Nicola. "Simon jokes that he particularly loves that it adds value to our property. But I've caught him gazing at it more times than I care to remember. Seriously, we're both delighted with it."



Tom & Sarah's

versatile family accommodation in Surrey



A spacious transformation.

Busy company executives Tom and Sarah were looking for the perfect solution for an additional multipurpose building next to their Surrey home.

"We wanted a self-contained annexe offering independent living for our eldest daughter returning home from University and a relaxed 'home away from home' for friends and visiting business associates to stay in," explains Tom.

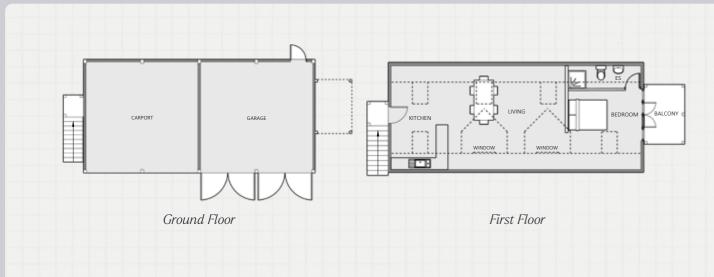
After initial discussions, a solution was found in a bespoke four-bay oak framed garage with two open car ports and two closed garages that come in handy as secure storage and a workshop.

Above is a delightfully spacious one-bed accommodation room above garage space, complete with a stylish modern kitchen, a luxurious bathroom with a full-height shower and balcony.



What our client said

"The accommodation, open car ports and secure storage below has been designed to be flexible; perfect for all our varied needs."





Sarah Smit Senior Estimator

What Sarah says: "This bespoke four-bay garage with loft space accommodation features a stunning design. The principal elevation has a low eaves height, giving it a charming cottage feel, while the dormer windows increase the interior room space. The oak frame balcony, an independent structure, adds a striking statement and can be added to our any of room-over-garage range."

Our bespoke design met the couple's desire for extra space with a generous feeling of spaciousness. "We could see the benefit of this design straight away. We felt it would transform what is normally a cramped space into a truly spacious loft". says Tom.

Small features with big impact.

Dormer windows add more space to the elegantly finished accommodation, flooding the loft with light and complementing its incredible vaulted ceiling. Glazed french doors lead onto a balcony, making the most of garden views and "allowing whoever is staying to sit and enjoy long, summer evenings" enthuses Sarah.









Above: Adding an oak framed balcony creates a lovely private spot outside for guests.

Top right: The rooflights and dormer windows zone the open-plan first floor.





Outbuilding details

Dimensions: (w) 12.9 m x (d) 6.3 m x (h) 6.2 m plus stairs and balcony

Area: 152 m²

Design: 4 bay bespoke room above garage with habitable specification on first floor

Exterior finish: Oak weatherboarding, clay roof tiles, brick plinth

Windows: Rooflights and oak dormer windows

Doors: Stable personnel door, french doors with glazed side panels, oak garage doors

Planning: Planning required

Great design ideas

- The large oak balcony extends the living space, creating a seamless connection to the outdoors
- Rooflights and dormer windows flood the first floor with natural light and offer additional standing space
- A half-height partition wall separates the bedroom and living area, providing a perfect spot for the TV
- A cool grey colour palette contrasts beautifully with the warmth of oak
- The 45-degree roof adds architectural interest and height
- The 2 bay carport allows for everyday easy access to covered car parking

By Oakwrights

Design | Oak Frame | Weatherboarding | Joinery | Roofing | Rooflights

lain and Karen's

room above garage in Ayrshire





lain Hendry has been Oakwrights' Homes Specialist & Design Consultant in Scotland since 2014, supporting numerous clients with their oak frame home designs and builds.

A truly versatile extra space.

When Iain and his wife Karen embarked on building their very own dream oak framed family home with us in Ayr, it only seemed fitting to incorporate a three-bay oak framed garage stacked with warmth and character next door.

The building perfectly complements their stylish forever home nearby. Aesthetically, lain's love of sling braces has been fully embraced in its design, whilst practically, the couple now have a flexible additional space to house cars alongside ample storage and a space for friends to stay in an open-plan guest suite above.

Timeless design with a twist.

Their design, based on The Gloucester from our room above garage range, offers lain and Karen a traditional aesthetic matched with a timelessly sophisticated feel. Silvering oak weatherboarding not only matches their home and references their scenic woodland surroundings, but also beautifully frames two car ports, a machine shed and a log store.





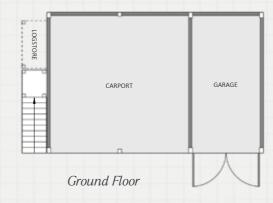


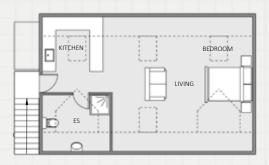




Another unique element the couple couldn't resist is a wonderfully whimsical clock tower in the centre of their garage's slate roof, creating an outdoor focal and talking point for visiting friends and family alike.

lain, our company representative in Scotland, has a deep-rooted love of oak and has supported many clients with bringing their own oak framed designs to life. "An oak frame home has a certain ambience, warmth and inherent history," explains lain, who also offers open days at his home once or twice a year.





First Floor

Outbuilding details

Dimensions: (h) $9.7 \text{ m} \times (d) 6.3 \text{ m} \times (w) 5.7 \text{ m}$ plus stairs

Area: 132 m²

Design: 3 bay Gloucester garage with habitable specification to first floor

Exterior finish: Larch weatherboarding, slate roof tiles, brick plinth

Windows: Dormer windows, conservation rooflights

Doors: Oak garage doors and personnel door

Planning: Planning required

Great design ideas

- Large 3 m bays easily accommodate 4x4s
- A feature apex window above the bed enhances privacy while bringing in natural light and adding visual interest
- Two sling brace trusses define the living and bedroom areas without physical walls, maintaining an open feel
- A heritage-style clock tower with a weather vane adds timeless charm
- Conservation rooflights and dormers on a 45-degree slate roof
- The garage's orientation provides privacy for both the main house and the room above
- A log store is conveniently located near the house for easy access and a closed-bay offers secure storage for garden tools

By Oakwrights

Design | Oak Frame | Joinery

What lain says: "Our guest accommodation is really stylish and friends and family feel really well looked after when staying. We could easily use it as a B&B if we wanted to."





Neale & Wendy's

business retreat overlooking the Wye National Landscape

Scaling success in an inspiring landscape.

When Neale and Wendy decided to relocate back to Herefordshire, a stunning oak framed garage nestled next door to their forever home was at the forefront of their minds. "We asked friends for their recommendations of garage designers and builders and these conversations led us to Oakwrights," Neale explains.

After falling in love with a property in the Wye National Landscape, the couple were eager to strike a work-life balance in a new location surrounded by a stunning serene rural landscape.

Neale's business provides specialist coaching to help organisations successfully scale up, requiring him to travel internationally. However, after moving into their dream home, he knew its location would be the perfect place to base his business and create a unique setting for meetings and corporate retreats.



What our client said

"We'd recommend a visit to the Oakwrights show home, The Woodhouse, to inspire your final design."





Blending in with the surroundings the new garage has quickly settled into the Wye National Landscape.

A breakout space with an incredible view.

The expansive upstairs interior spans all three bays of the garage below and is naturally illuminated thanks to a breathtaking glazed gable end and Velux windows. The light and bright office space is adaptable to suit the changing needs of its use and features a kitchenette, bathroom, a desk and large boardroom table seating eight people.

Opening up onto a balcony with a glass balustrade, it's a peaceful place for a midmorning coffee break and the perfect spot for an inspiring change of scene that soaks up far-reaching views of countryside.

Celebrating the versatility of oak.

Neale and Wendy's design is based on our Portchester garage which subtly offers more space to serve a multitude of purposes. The ground floor benefits from three bays and an additional wood store. One bay is enclosed with beautiful oak double doors and the other two are open and used for parking. It was important that a newly built garage remained in keeping with their adjacent period home as well as housing a coaching studio above. "For me, oak ticked all those boxes," smiles Neale.











Outbuilding details

Dimensions: (w) 9.7 m x (d) 6.3 m x (h) 6.4 m plus stairs and balcony

Area: 122 m²

Design: 3 bay Portchester garage with habitable specification on the first floor

Exterior finish: Larch weatherboarding, clay roof tiles, oak steps, oak balcony with glazed balustrade

Windows: Subframe joinery and rooflights

Doors: Oak garage doors, half-glazed personnel door and french doors

Planning: Planning required

Great design ideas

- Triple row of rooflights above the work station for optimal natural light
- Kitchenette and WC/shower provide a fully independent workspace, also adaptable for guest accommodation as needs change throughout the year
- Oak balcony with glass balustrades maximises the views
- The positioning of the garage, set back from the main home, is a deliberate design choice that complements the historic black and white cottage
- Open carports allow the couple to keep the driveway clear for visitors cars
- The glazed gable feature floods the first floor with natural light

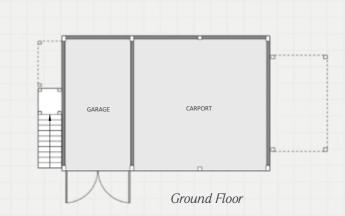
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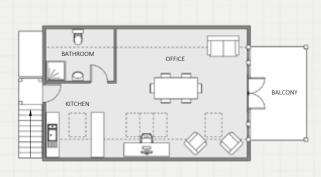
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First Floor



George Allen, Outbuilding & Extensions Specialist

What George says: "Neale and Wendy were looking to replace an old agricultural store with a building that Neale could use for his business, along with adding space for their cars and a garden store. The first thing that struck me with this property was the spectacular views over the River Wye. We designed the garage to make the most of this by introducing a large three pane rooflight in the centre of the building along with a glazed gable and balcony on the far side. This in turn created a beautiful home office space, full of natural light. Neale chose the Portchester design to give extra height at first floor, in turn making the office space flexible to be used for a number of visitors comfortably at first floor. The structure was set into the hillside at the rear to make the most of the space in front and giving easy access to the garage bays."



Tony and Jack's

classic car showcase and integrated home office



Beautifully bespoke and driven by style.

Tony and Jack's bespoke L-shaped single storey garage in Warwickshire is a classic car enthusiast's dream. Both an incredibly smart home for their classic cars and a wonderfully stylish home office, their oak framed garage meets all their practical needs whilst excelling at aesthetics.

"The main reason we decided to build our oak frame garage is because we needed an office, but also somewhere to keep our car collection. Importantly, we wanted it to look pretty and be in keeping with the family home. Oakwrights' garage buildings excel at all three," says Jack

A workspace with a glamorous view.

Whilst the pair were keen to ensure their project complemented their newly renovated home next door externally, its interior was a blank canvas for something excitingly evocative and playful.

Tony and Jack wanted to be able to admire their classic cars whilst working at their desks. Together we came up with the brilliantly Bond-like idea of installing three large internal glass windows between the office and garage, "so when sending emails we can do it with smiles on our faces."



Father and son, Tony and Jack

What our client said

"We can't pick one thing we love the most, the whole oak frame building just works and is a pleasure to be in and around!"

Somewhere for all the family.

Tony and Jack instinctively knew that a garage by us would be the perfect addition. "We'd seen Oakwrights at shows over the years and knew that when the right house came along, we'd be putting one of their buildings on the plot."

Not only does their bespoke garage provide an impeccably stylish home for their classic cars and a luxurious workspace, it also brings the family joy in so many more ways. "From simply looking out of the kitchen window and polishing the cars in the dry, to working at the office and seeing the children play basketball in the open bay, it's a huge asset to the property and it wouldn't be the same without it."







Outbuilding details

Dimensions: (w) 12.5 m x (d) 9.6 m x (h) 4 m

Area: 97 m²

Design: 4 bay bespoke L-shaped garage with habitable specification in garage and office

Exterior finish: Larch weatherboarding, clay roof tiles, brick plinth

Windows: Rooflights, casement windows

Doors: Oak garage doors, oak office door

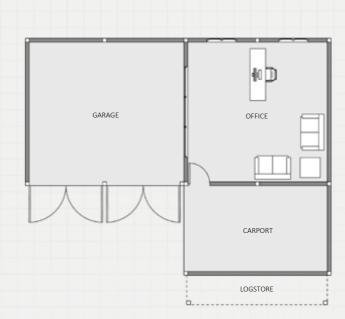
Planning: Possible under Permitted Development if all regulations are met

Great design ideas

- Internal glazing allows the vintage car collection to be appreciated while working
- L-shaped design creates a courtyard space, nestled perfectly into the available plot
- Level threshold ensures seamless access throughout
- Car lift provides extra space and convenience for servicing
- Large-span bays offer luxurious access, fitting any size car
- King post feature trusses in the office, with tie beams in the garage area
- Everyday carport and log store add practical storage solutions
- Traditional casement windows with glazing bars enhance the design's charm

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George Allen, Outbuilding & Extensions Specialist

What George says: "Tony and Jack are in the property business, and knew what they were looking for when they came to speak with me. A space for classic cars with the idea of a viewing panel from a home office, big enough for two large desks. The clients visited me at head office to run through ideas and we settled on an L-shaped design to sit under permitted development. We designed the office to take up two bays, with a further two bays being used to store the cars and the final bay being used as a carport. We purposefully designed this bay to be oversized to keep access to the office and log store nice and easy. The office gained two additional windows to bring in some more natural light from the garden whilst keeping that fantastic glass looking over the classic cars in the garage. The stuff of dreams!"



Philip and Clara's

oak framed classic car garage in Cambridgeshire



Timeless design, written in oak.

Philip and Clara's single storey oak framed garage in a charming Cambridgeshire village is a project driven by their beloved classic car collection and a passion for quality craftsmanship - whether it's in the form of an exquisite car or the time-honoured tradition of building with oak.

"Our classic cars are our pride and joy," says
Philip. Fuelled by an eye for detail and an
appreciation of timeless design, "we opted
for everything to be made from oak internally.
We love how the oak joints are shaped and
crafted. The curved braces and struts flow
brilliantly with the roof design," explains Philip.



What our client said

"We went to meet the team and had a full tour of Oakwrights' workshops, where I realised their attention to detail in terms of quality and craftsmanship."

Superbly sympathetic to its surroundings.

The couple's home in a conservation area is made from naturally light-coloured reclaimed Cambridgeshire bricks. Having discussed plans with their neighbours, Philip and Clara felt their garage should adopt a material that would work in harmony with the look and feel of both their house and village setting.

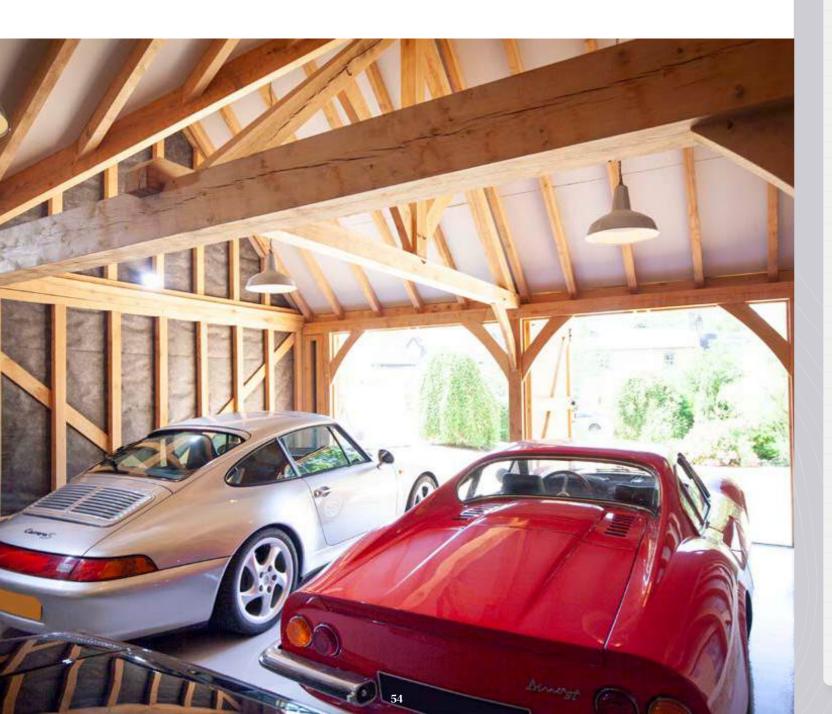
"It was important that the design of our garage was sympathetic to its location. Nothing felt better than choosing oak to match our surrounding environment," says Philip.

An oak framed classic car sanctuary.

The couple worked with Zoe Grey, one of our Outbuilding & Extensions Specialists, to design a bespoke four-bay timber garage, shaped like a square with two bays in front and two behind. "Philip wanted the oak to complement the cars, so we included oak trusses, rafters and oak studwork to make something really special," explains Zoe.

Philip's choice of a shimmering light-grey resin floor beautifully sets off their garage's internal oak features.

On approach from their driveway, the oak building playfully peeps out from behind a bush, where two large front oak doors can be opened to reveal four bays and their remarkable classic cars safely stored within.







Outbuilding details

Dimensions: (w) 6.3 m x (d) 10.3 m x (h) 4.8 m

Area: 59 m²

Design: 4 bay bespoke T-shaped insulated garage

Exterior finish: Oak weatherboard, clay roof tiles, brick plinth

Windows: Feature floor to ceiling window

Doors: Oak garage doors, personnel door

Planning: Planning required

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Great design ideas

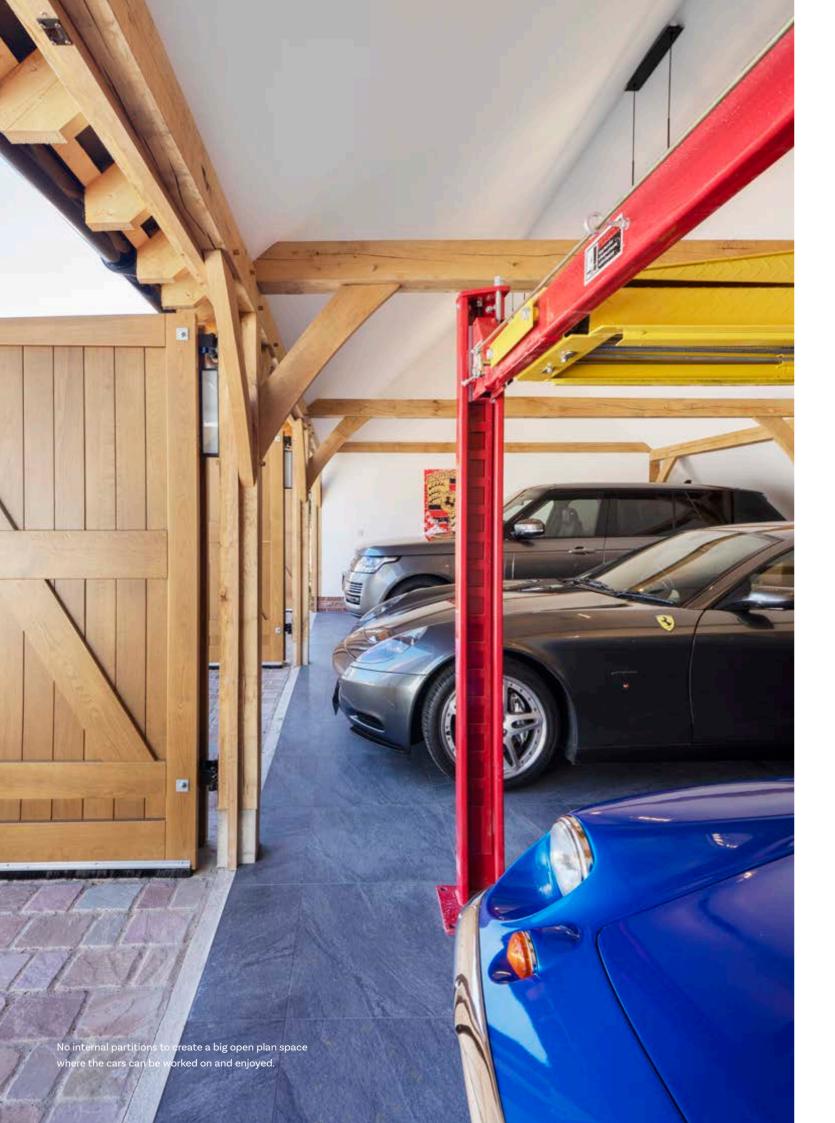
- · A two-by-two floor plan for space efficiency
- Feature King post truss at the front, tie beam at the rear, with oak rafters adding warmth and character
- Traditional front elevation provides a discreet addition, balancing the large footprint
- Insulated specification ideal for classic car storage
- Sleek, durable resin floor with a level threshold for seamless access
- Modern pendant lights elevate the garage's design





Zoe Grey, Outbuilding & Extensions Specialist

What Zoe says: "The design for this garage was done by an external architect and was designed around fitting in Philips fantastic car collection. From when Philip enquired we discussed the interior details of the garage in great detail, after all it needed to compete with the beauty of the cars that were to be kept in it. Philip had oak rafters and studwork which remained on show internally and then the roof was boarded before being tiled to give the effect you see in the photos. We also added a central oak truss as a show piece in the roof which looks spectacular. They are finished off with oak doors with a Danish oil finish. Pight from the moment this project was finished it looked like it has always been there, which is always what we would like to achieve!"



The Adam's 'Canterbury' classic car showcase



Creating a courtyard feel.

Mr and Mrs Adams went for one of our classic garages as this met all of their needs, they were also undertaking a garden project at the same time so we wanted both to work together. Planning was slightly challenging due to the other development on site, but nothing that we couldn't get over to gain the planning for the garage. This completed a lovely courtyard to the side of the property which bridged the gap in between the main house and gardens. Oak was kept to a minimum on the interior for a modern and clean feel. The interior was insulated, plastered and decorated then a beautiful ceramic tile was laid on the floor which is very easy to clean. As you can see it was also important that we could fit a car lift in there to maximise the space and also to be able to work on the cars.













Outbuilding details

Dimensions: (w) 9.6 m x (d) 6.4 m x (h) 4.6 m

Area: 61.4 m²

Design: Canterbury insulated garage

Exterior finish: Oak weatherboarding, slate

roof tiles, brick plinth

Doors: Oak garage doors

Planning: Planning required

Great design ideas

- Large-span tie beams create extra deep bays, ideal for large cars and 4x4s
- Slate-tiled roof complements the period property's character, with a 40-degree pitch adding architectural appeal
- Car lift provides additional space and easy servicing
- Slate tile floor with a level threshold for seamless entry
- · Garage orientation fosters a courtyard feel
- Naturalistic planting softens the building's outline in this rural setting
- Insulated specification perfect for classic car storage

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Clockwise from top left: Rustic cobbles and dark slate tiles clearly define the garage and driveway. The garage is a short walk from the back door.

The garage profile seamlessly blends into the natural gardenscape from the rear.

Bullnose detailing for the end of the oak frame is a personal preference and is a traditional way to finish a beam rather than simply a flat face, showcasing our craftsmanship and dedication to a quality finish.



Nigel's garage in a Cotswold conservation area



A stylish home for classic cars.

When tasked with renovating his traditional 1825 cottage in a bucolic Cotswold village, Nigel knew an oak framed replacement garage would not only be the best choice to house his classic cars, but also one that would seamlessly complement the style and quality finish of his home.

The perfect fit next to a period home.

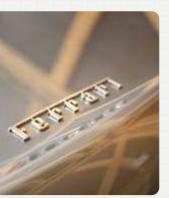
The warm oak of Nigel's two-bay single storey garage elegantly mirrors his new oak framed porch, just metres away. Traditional Cotswold Bradstone conservation roof tiles adorn both his garage and home, whilst the garage's pitch beautifully matches his home's. Both buildings are connected through a delightful series of smart details, gracefully uniting them as if they've always been there.

What our client said

"Not only were we really pleased with how we were able to work with Oakwrights during the briefing and design stage, but we were also really pleased to have a garage that's so in keeping with the look and feel of the area."











Outbuilding details

Dimensions: (w) 6.2 m x (d) 6 m x (h) 4.5 m

Area: 37.2 m²

Design: 2 bay bespoke garage

Exterior finish: Narrow bay widths to fit site

Doors: Oak garage doors

Planning: Possible under Permitted Development if all regulations are met

Great design ideas

- Narrow bay widths are designed to fit the site
- Diminishing Cotswold stone roof tiles add character and texture
- Design complements the oak porch of the adjoining home
- Garage placement enhances privacy and creates a sheltered sun trap in the garden
- Polished concrete floor provides an easy-to-clean, sleek finish

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A top gear home away from home.

Classic car enthusiasts, Tom and Anne, envisioned peering out of their windows to see their two pride and joys tucked up in an adjoining garage on their driveway. In fact, "our classic cars took priority over our existing garaging," adds Tom.

Living locally to us, Tom and Anne decided an oak frame garage would create a safe and sturdy sanctuary for their classic cars while ensuring its character would remain in keeping with their Herefordshire home.

The design of their two-bay garage is based on 'The Kenchester' from our single storey oak frame garage collection. Drawn to its versatility and traditional look and feel, Tom and Anne knew it would provide ample space for their classic cars, given that The Kenchester can accommodate two 4x4 vehicles.

Tom and Anne chose to complete their garage with a slate roof before mirroring its colour and enclosing its three sides with horizontal larch weatherboarding.



What our client said

"We love the way our oak frame garage has aged, and its degree of craftsmanship. My only regret was not having three bays!"









Outbuilding details

Dimensions: (w) 6.1 m x (d) 5.5 m x (h) 4 m

Area: 34 m²

Design: 2 bay Kenchester garage

Exterior finish: Black painted softwood weatherboarding, Slate roof tiles, stone plinth

Planning: Possible under Permitted Development if all regulations are met

Great design ideas

- Hidden solar panels on the rear elevation for a discreet, sustainable solution
- Self-assembly oak frame adds natural warmth and craftsmanship
- Rear interior shelf provides convenient tyre storage, making great use of underutilised space
- Stone plinth complements the house's architectural style
- Painted black weatherboarding in keeping with neighbouring period outbuildings

By Oakwrights

Design | Oak Frame | Weatherboarding



Izzie Edey, Estimating Manager

What Izzie says: "This Kenchester garage is a traditional design which will complement Tom and Ann's home while adding aesthetic beauty. The catslide roof ensures the ridge height is kept low (under 4m to the ridge) while retaining sufficient depth for Tom's classic cars and storage."

Jeremy & Julie's

outbuilding complex of a lifetime



A versatile home for hobbies and more.

Jeremy and Julie shared a desire to self-build, so when the perfect countryside plot caught their eye in Herefordshire – a fond and familiar location for them, they purchased it and relocated.

Similarly to the residing property, the ancillary outbuildings required tender loving care, and Jeremy and Julie envisaged them serving several purposes, including housing a workshop and garage.

"We also liked the idea of their designs being slightly quirkier and appearing as if they had been organically added to over time," explains Jeremy.

Wanting their outbuildings to be framed using a natural, durable and beautiful building material with unrivalled longevity, they gravitated towards oak. Their multipurpose architectural design bloomed into an L-shaped layout encompassing four outbuildings with varying roof pitches and interior spaces, exceeding their practical and aesthetical wishes.



What our client said

"There's a lot of satisfaction to have something purposebuilt. We got to design our outbuildings just how we wanted: a bit different and unique. If you want to build with oak, then do it"







Outbuilding details

Dimensions: (w) 23.4 m x (d) 19.8 m x (h) 6.7 m

Design: Bespoke barn, garages and workshop complex

Exterior finish: Softwood weatherboarding, clay roof tiles

Windows: Casement windows, rooflights

Doors: Barn doors, garage doors and personnel doors

Planning: Planning required

Great design ideas

- Solar panels are integrated into the design, providing an eco-friendly energy solution while maintaining the building's aesthetic
- The varied rooflines create visual interest and architectural depth, while the symmetrical façade adds balance, resulting in a harmonious appearance reminiscent of an agricultural barn complex
- The largest section of the barn includes a mezzanine floor, offering a generous amount of storage space, perfect for maximising the barn's functionality while keeping the main floor clear and open

By Oakwrights

Design | Oak Frame | Weatherboarding



Izzie Edey, Estimating Manager

What Izzie says: "With strong ideas in mind, these clients have made a completely bespoke but fully functioning outbuilding for all their needs. From tractor stores to a workshop, each space looks like it has been added to the next creating that typical farm building look. The best place to start is with an idea of how you want to use the space you're about to create, our design consultants can then work with you to create the most aesthetically pleasing but also fully functional space for your needs, making it feel like the building has always been there."

Nick & Janine's

garden office and entertaining annexe

A stylish new space for work and play.

Nick and Janine have created a luxurious workspace and a spectacular entertaining haven in the garden of their rural Shropshire home. In 2017 the couple commissioned an Oakwrights garage to house Nick's new car and store garden machinery. Four years later, the couple asked us to design a multipurpose oak framed outbuilding to complement their existing garage.

A dilapidated summer house has been replaced by a versatile bespoke oak framed outbuilding that can be used daily as both a generous space to socialise in style as well as a well-equipped office.

Crafting the perfect indoor-outdoor space.

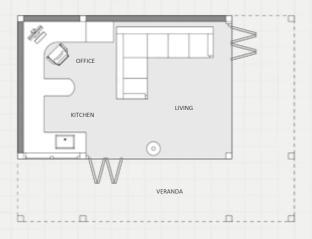
The couple's chic multipurpose garden building includes a kitchenette, workstation and a large social space with a TV that descends from the vaulted roof when it's movie night. Outside, a wrap-around veranda with fully-opening slimline bi-fold doors between braced oak posts and beams creates the perfect indoor-outdoor space. Popcorn anyone?











Outbuilding details

Dimensions: (w) 8.6 m x (d) 6 m x (h) 4.8 m

Area: 26 m²

Design: Bespoke outbuilding with habitable

specification throughout

Exterior finish: Larch weatherboarding,

clay roof tiles

Windows: Fixed screens

Doors: Bi-fold doors

Planning: Required planning

Great design ideas

- A fully hipped roof enhances the building's integration with its surroundings
- Corner-positioned bi-fold doors maximise indoor outdoor flow
- Exposed braces on the veranda add character
- Drop-down TV offers sleek, space-saving versatility

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George Allen, Outbuilding & Extensions Specialist

What George says: "Nick came to speak to me at the Game Fair at Ragley Hall and initially built a two-bay garage with us. He was so delighted with the result that he returned to discuss creating a home office and entertainment space in his garden. Working from home, he wanted a space separate from the house where he could work. He had the perfect plot overlooking the tennis court, which allowed him to use the space as a multifunctional home office, chill-out area, and entertainment space. We designed in a large opening corner element along with a wrap around covered porch to make the most of the summer weather, matching in the contemporary aesthetic of the main house with the aluminium joinery. We made sure the building could be used all year round, by introducing a log burner for those more chilly months, really making this building perfect all year-round!













Outbuilding details

Dimensions: (w) 8.5 m x (d) 6.4 m x (h) 4.6 m

Area: 54.4 m²

Design: 2 bay bespoke garage

Windows: Casement windows

Exterior finish: Larch weatherboarding, clay

roof tiles, brick plinth

Doors: Personnel door and fitted shed doors

under eaves

Planning: Required planning

By Oakwrights

Design | Oak Frame | Weatherboarding | Joinery

Great design ideas

- Fully hipped roof with catslides to either side of carports for log store and tool storage
- North facing hidden potting shed to the rear for designed to stay cool, the ideal environment for seedlings and tender plants, as well as keeping soil moisture intact
- The catslide also serves as a sheltered log store, offering both storage and a quiet space to rest

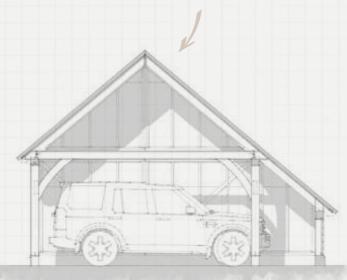
Our base garage designs

Our designers take a bespoke approach to every project, often starting with our collection of base designs. These include four single storey and four room above frames, offering a variety of bay sizes and roof heights to suit different sites and vehicles. Think of these layouts as building blocks to begin your design.

All our designs feature a minimum of 175 mm² section structural oak timbers as standard, providing the strength needed to support longer spans. Our standard bay width is 3 metres between the 175 mm² square oak posts, though this can be adjusted to suit your specific needs. The large 3 m bays are designed to accommodate a large 4x4 vehicle, allowing easy door access.

Our spans are the longest on the market at 6.3 metres, with no need for intermediate posts. Your dedicated Outbuilding & Extensions Specialist will be there to guide you through the best options for your project, every step of the way!

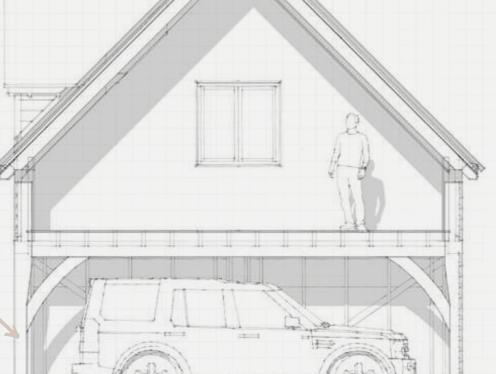
Don't forget the potential storage space in your single storey



A catslide roof gives extra depth

Dormer window for extra head height

Generous bays as standard, plenty of space for 4x4s

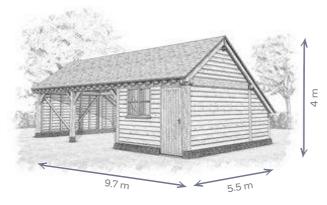


Build your perfect single storey garage

An oak framed single storey garage is a beautiful and useful addition to your home life. Whether you want to keep your car secure overnight, preserve a classic car or store a multitude of sports kit, choose your desired number of bays, open fronted, add doors, windows and even log stores, creating a unique garage that suits your every need.

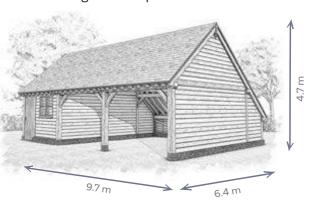
Kenchester

The smallest option in our range, featuring a catslide roof to keep the ridge height under 4 m, maintains ample depth to accommodate most cars. It may be possible under Permitted Development if all regulations are met.



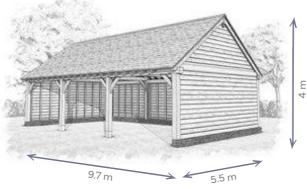
Canterbury

The deepest option in the range, designed for big vehicles, requires planning approval - our team is here to help with that. The traditional catslide roof keeps a low profile, while maximising internal space.



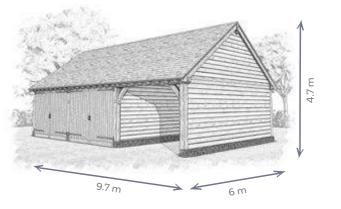
Highgrove

The Highgrove oak-framed garage has the same footprint as the Kenchester but offers more usable space with full height depth, ideal for larger vehicles like 4x4s. It may be possible under Permitted Development if all regulations are met.



Cotswold

With generous bay depth, the Cotswold is perfect for larger vehicles like a Land Rover Discovery or additional storage. It requires planning approval – our team is happy to assist





To download the floorplans scan the QR code or visit oakwrights.co.uk/outbuildings/garages/single-storey-garages

The illustrations on these pages are approximate sizes subject to roofing material, and includes closed-bays and doors as an addition to the base design.

Create your ideal room above garage

Whether it's a home studio, guest accommodation, or extra storage, your vision can come to life.

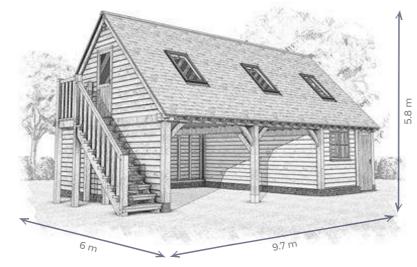
Any habitable space will be designed to meet building regulations, with superior insulation. Natural light floods the space through rooflights, dormer windows, and balcony doors. Optional features like a kitchenette and WC shower can be incorporated for guest accommodation.

Work with your dedicated Oakwrights Outbuilding & Extensions Specialist to create a unique, tailored space.

Due to the ridge height all these room above garages require planning approval which we guide your through and submit on your behalf.

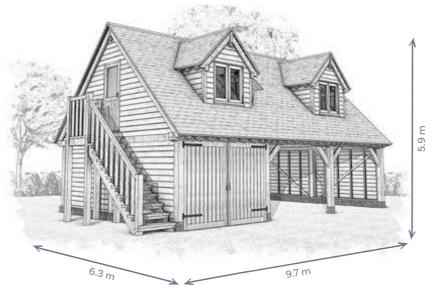
Little Gloucester

The Little Gloucester is the smallest in our room above range, 30 cm smaller than the Gloucester but can be customised with the same exceptional features or redesigned completely to suit your needs. A good choice if planning is strict or you have limited space.



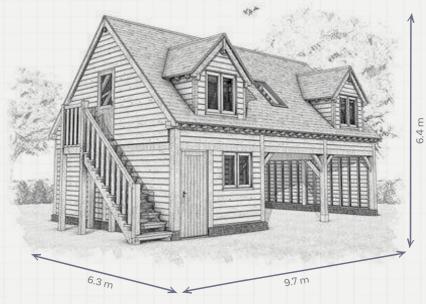
Gloucester

The Gloucester is a traditional oak frame garage with a room above, adorned with an external oak staircase and oak beams that exude an aura of timeless sophistication.



Portchester

Many choose the Portchester garage due to its spacious design, with a shorter upstand than the Winchester it subtly offers more usable floor area than our Gloucester.



Winchester

The Winchester, our tallest design, features a one-metre upstand from the wall plate, increasing the upstairs internal space—ideal for maximising usable floor area.





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How to evolve a base design

Create your own bespoke space by evolving the layout with these fundamental options from the number and orientation of bays and roof type to glazing, joinery and importantly the exterior finish that will complete the look.

Layout

How many bays?

Measuring 3 m wide and up to 6.3 m deep in between the oak posts, bays can be replicated in any number you require and can also be different widths.

Orientation of access

Vehicular access to garaging is classically via the front of the bay or alternatively from below the gable. Personnel doors can easily be added on any elevation to allow access to specific areas within your building and improve flow between the main house.





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Gable-end entry



Three-bay gable-end entry Gloucester garage.

Add half-bays and catslides

There's also the option to add half-bays.

This could be useful when fine-tuning the dimensions of the outbuilding, especially for smaller spaces where you may not need a full bay.

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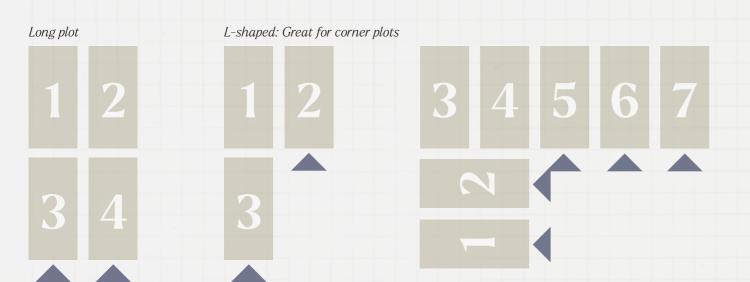
Staircase modifications

Our staircases are exterior as standard to maximise your interior space. A staircase can be positioned internally within one of the bays of the garage and in this case will need to be sourced from an external supplier and fitted by your builder.

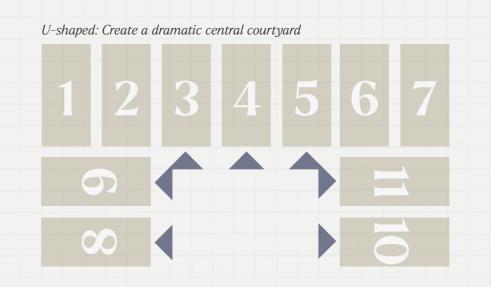




Above: Adding a half-bay to this three-bay Gloucester design allowed space for an internal staircase in this holiday home, whilst still allowing lots of space for the lounge and kitchen/diner.



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Glazing and joinery

Dormer windows



Our dormer windows are industry-leading, providing exceptional space for insulation to meet habitable specifications. Adding character and enhancing natural light, they offer practical benefits too, such as improved headroom and ventilation.

Rooflights



Rooflights flood the space with natural light, creating a bright and inviting atmosphere.

Their clean lines enhance the sense of space, improve ventilation, and provide views of the sky. They're also ideal for tight planning restrictions, as they maintain the traditional outbuilding aesthetic. A variety of sizes and conservation style available.

Face glazing





Our face glazing offers sleek, modern windows that integrate seamlessly into oak frame structures. With a focus on high performance and aesthetic appeal, it allows for maximum natural light and expansive views while maintaining the timeless beauty and durability of traditional oak framing. For more information turn to page 127.

Windows and doors





Our windows and doors (otherwise known as joinery), crafted from either oak,
Accoya or softwood, combine exceptional craftsmanship with modern performance.
Custom-made to complement your oak frame outbuilding, they offer superior insulation, durability and aesthetic appeal. Ranging from garage doors to personnel doors, french and bi-folds, we'll guide you through all the options as well as choice of ironmongery to suit.

External finish

The external finish such as roof tiles may need to reflect your home or neighbouring buildings. Our site crew can install the roof and weatherboarding, windows and doors.

Roof design



Whilst the majority of outbuildings have fully pitched roof designs, adding hips, half hips as well as catslide roofs can lessen the visual impact above the eye line and also match the local vernacular.

Roof tiles



Choose any tiles you prefer, with a wide range of options available to suit your style and complement your outbuilding. We can also match roof tiles with neighbouring buildings.

Boarding



You can choose between oak or larch weatherboarding for your outbuilding, each offering distinct beauty and durability. Oak provides a rich, timeless look but comes at a higher cost, while larch offers a more affordable alternative with lasting quality.

Log store



An oak log store adds both functionality and rustic charm to your outbuilding, providing a practical space for storing firewood while enhancing the overall aesthetic.



Charlie Mills, Managing Director "Whether you choose a base design or opt for a fully bespoke solution, your dedicated Oakwrights Outbuilding & Extensions Specialist will guide you through the available options and provide expert advice to help you select the best choices for your build."

Outbuilding inspiration gallery

Garages

What elements appeal to you? Your Outbuildings & Extensions Specialist will incorporate your preferences to craft the perfect outbuilding design tailored to you and your home.



3 bay Winchester with oak weatherboarding and joinery



3 bay Gloucester with larch weatherboarding 2 bay Little Gloucester with oak and joinery



weatherboarding



Bespoke room above with larch weatherboarding and softwood joinery



3.5 bay Kenchester with larch weatherboarding and oak joinery



2 bay Kenchester with larch weatherboarding, softwood joinery and log store



3 bay gable-fronted Gloucester with oak weatherboarding and joinery



2 bay Little Gloucester with larch weatherboarding



2 bay Kenchester with oak weatherboarding



4 bay Cotswold with larch weatherboarding and oak joinery



3.5 bay Gloucester with larch weatherboarding and oak joinery



2 bay Highgrove with softwood weatherboarding



3 bay Gloucester with larch weatherboarding and oak joinery



4 bay bespoke L-shape garage with larch weatherboarding and oak joinery

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3 bay Portchester with larch weatherboarding and oak joinery



4 bay Gloucester with hipped roof and oak weatherboarding and joinery



2 bay Kenchester with larch weatherboarding and softwood joinery



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5 bay Gloucester with bespoke gable and oak



weatherboarding and oak painted joinery



2 bay Little Gloucester with larch weatherboarding and oak joinery



and oak weatherboarding and joinery



Bespoke U-shape garage with bespoke gable 2 bay Highgrove with larch weatherboarding and roller shutter doors



3 bay Canterbury with oak weatherboarding and joinery



3 bay Winchester larch weatherboarding and softwood and aluminium joinery

2 bay gable-entry Gloucester with oak



weatherboarding and joinery



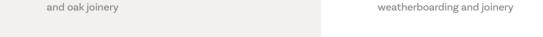
3 bay Canterbury with oak weatherboarding and joinery



4.5 bay bespoke room above garage with oak weatherboarding and painted oak joinery



4 bay Portchester with oak weatherboarding



Infinite outbuilding alternatives

Our portfolio is incredibly diverse, showcasing everything from intimate riverside buildings to stunning wedding barns.

























Ideas for utilising your room above

A room above the garage is a highly versatile space—always warm and welcoming. Consider it an extension of your home with the added perk of being a haven from home life.





















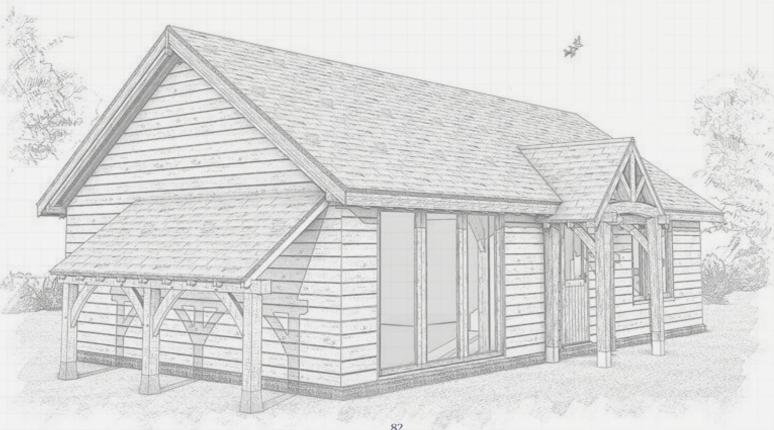
Annexes

Our annexes provide luxurious, warm accommodation perfect for everyone and can have vaulted ceilings throughout showing off wonderful trusses on the ground floor.



















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Extensions: An oak framed extension of your home and life

For some, building an extension is a highly personal journey, and rest assured, we work closely with you to bring your vision to life. We find being involved from the start helps you feel more connected and invite you to visit our workshops, stay at our show home, giving you the opportunity to explore and discover the perfect style and feel for your space.

Oak framed living Inspiring extensions





Chris and Di's elegant timber frame extension



A seamless blend of old and new.

Chris and Di made the clever decision to extend their 17th century limestone cottage in the Peak District National Park with a bespoke elegant oak frame extension that perfectly matches their historic home. The cottage now enjoys a beautiful light-filled single storey space that's home to a kitchen with a large island, dining area and snug framed by stunning views.

The new extension presented the couple with the opportunity to add a modern additional space and create a sociable open-plan space that also reflects the historical character of the existing cottage. "I love everything from the vaulted ceiling and exposed oak frame internally, to the King trusses and how the oak frame ties in with the old cottage," says Chris.



What our client said

"I love everything about the finished project - from the vaulted ceiling and exposed oak frame internally, to the King trusses and how the oak frame ties in with the old cottage."



The oak frame extension stands on its own oak supports, with the join to the original home being carefully weatherproofed by our team to withstand the exposed conditions the dwelling may face in its elevated position.

Once inside guests can see the beautiful waisted King post trusses in front of the original exterior stone wall of the cottage.



A love of traditional materials and the need to renovate and extend whilst complementing the character of local buildings in a National Park was what attracted Chris and Di to a new barn-like oak framed extension. "I've always been drawn to the character and warmth of the colour of oak beams. I love exposed timber trusses!" explains Chris.

Modern comfort with a timeless feel.

Childhood memories of cold winters were put aside thanks to installing underfloor heating to achieve a cosy environment. Chris' reverence for natural materials also went hand in hand with a desire for a high quality build that would stand the test of time.

"I wanted to make the property fit to survive for another few hundred years. It was paramount to have a high quality build with durable finishes," says Chris. Whilst the couple hope to live in the cottage, currently it's a holiday let where "without fail every guest has complimented us on the oak frame. Some think it is original and not new," beams Chris.









Above: A series of open-waisted King post trusses with straight struts line the roof, subtly transitioning into the kitchen, dining, and living spaces.

Left: Feature windows along the front elevation open the room to the stunning Peak District scenery surrounding the cottage, including a large statement picture window in the lounge that frames the breathtaking views.

If you would like to stay at this cottage search for 'The Cottage, Tunstead, Derbyshire'.



The craftsmanship brings immediate character and charm to the living space, with guests marvelling at the traditional oak frame marks and pegged joints, adding visual interest and depth to the room.



Extension details

Dimensions: (w) 11.3 m x (d) 4.1 m x (h) 3.7 m **Area:** 46 m^2

Design: Single storey, pitched roof garden room

Exterior finish: Stone and Bradstone roof tiles

Glazing: Bespoke curved top and full height rectangular oak subframe windows

Doors: Oak fully glazed door with glazed side panels

Planning: Possible under Permitted Development if all regulations are met

By Oakwrights

Design | Oak Frame | Joinery

Great design ideas

- A 3D survey was completed in the early stages, along with technical drawings, ensuring a seamless connection to the house
- Equally spaced rafters create a cosy atmosphere and vaulted ceiling enhances the sense of space
- Feature King post trusses help define the lounge, kitchen, and dining areas without the need for walls
- The colour palette combines warm greys with subtle splashes of blue for a welcoming and modern feel



Anthony Williams, Outbuilding & Extensions Specialist

What Anthony says: "Chris and Di were keen to create a light-filled extension to complement the existing cottage and to obtain planning consent in the Peak District National Park. While it was a challenge, it was a real pleasure to work with our clients on this design and to achieve such a stunning impact. This really is an extension with wow-factor!"



Paul & Karen's

stunning orangery kitchen extension



Beautifully in keeping with their Arts and Crafts home.

Paul and Karen swapped an old boiler room for a stunning new spacious orangery extension that's beautifully in keeping with their characterful 1920s Arts and Crafts Buckinghamshire home. Externally, new red tiles and red brick exquisitely complement those of their home, whilst their extension's new oak frame sits superbly in tune with their existing structure.

Internally, Paul reconfigured the kitchen himself, siting a large island and breakfast bar in line with the original external wall. The natural beauty of green oak complements the kitchen's scrubbed brick walls alongside a featureful supporting oak post sited between the new and original parts of the home.



What our client said

"I spent a lot of time planning exactly which areas would benefit from lighting. This includes exterior uplights that pick out the framing when it's dark, meaning the oak can be on show at any time, inside and out."

Game-changing extra space.

Before the couple chose to extend, their previous boiler room shrouded their kitchen in darkness and blocked a connection to their generous garden. Now their 10 metre wide orangery extension has opened up the entire back of their home. Plenty of space next to their kitchen has been released for a roomy and comfortable seating and dining area that spills out into the garden and is the perfect social space for entertaining friends and family.

All in the details.

Their extension's mansard roof - a blend between a vaulted ceiling with the added flat section - allows the roof height to be kept to a minimum whilst still providing a wonderfully open and inviting space. This was important to ensure that their extension didn't obstruct the distinctive external period features of the first floor above.

The addition of three glazed walls and large glass rooflight means the whole interior space, including the cooking area, is now much better lit than it was before the build. Paul and Karen's choice to replace a poorly placed functional room with an impressive orangery has breathed a new lease of life into their historic 1920s home.





Opposite: Oak rafters in the extension roof continue the traditional style of the home into the newly created dining room.

Above right: The lantern sits overs the dining table and is surrounded by spotlights.

Above left: The mansard roof allows views from the bedrooms and the tiles are matched perfectly with the existing roof.



Mark Buxton, Senior Estimator

What Mark says: "This project perfectly illustrates why our oak orangeries are often the ideal solution for extending your home. The expressive oak frame is arranged around a large lantern which forms the focal point creating a beautiful and dramatic space. Form follows function as there are several very practical assets to this type of structure. The insulated mansard roof performs well to retain heat while the lantern excels in flooding the space with natural light. The low roofline avoids conflicts with existing first floor windows and being under 4 metres this build type does not normally require planning permission."







Extension details

Dimensions: (w) 9.4 m x (d) 4.5 m x (h) 3.6 m

Area: 42 m²

Design: Single storey, mansard roof orangery

Exterior finish: Brick plinth, clay roof tiles, oak eaves and verges, matching the house roof

Glazing: Aluminium subframe and aluminium lantern with electric opening

Doors: Aluminium bi-fold doors

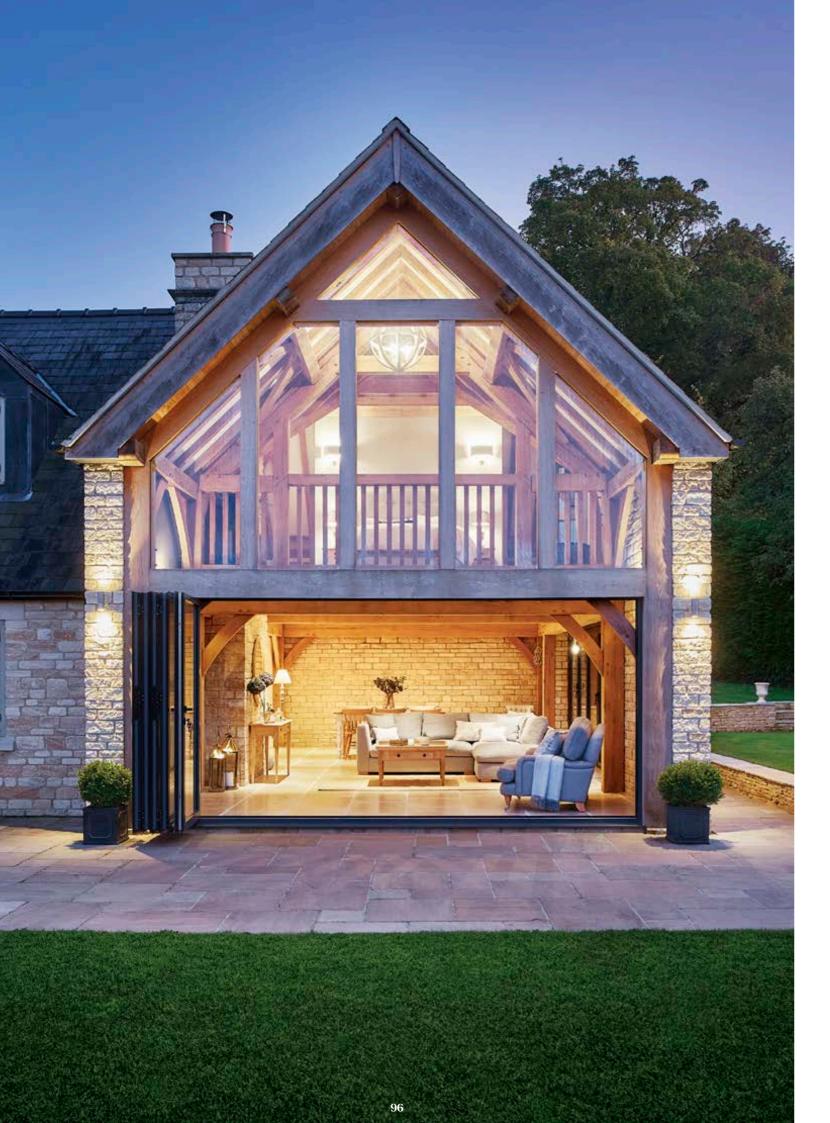
Planning: Possible under Permitted Development if all regulations are met

Great design ideas

- A beautiful lantern allows natural light to flood the space
- To achieve a modern feel, we contrasted the warm oak frame with dark grey aluminium joinery and glazing
- Roof tiles were chosen to weather in a way that complements the tiles on the main property
- The mansard roof style was chosen to ensure it doesn't block the upstairs windows
- The oak rafters add a beautiful contrast, with their 400 mm spacing providing both aesthetic appeal and structural strength

By Oakwrights

Design | Building Regulations | Oak Frame | Roofing



Claire and Phil's

fabulous two storey family home extension



Before... and after

A blossoming love for oak.

Phil and Claire purchased a picturesque plot of land in the Cotswolds which won their hearts and minds.

Looking past the existing bungalow there, they saw their family's future as clear as day – a three-bedroom family home with cosy living spaces that carefully captured every angle of their new beloved backdrop.

While renovations were underway, Phil and Claire worked with a local carpenter and quickly fell head over heels for oak. Inspired by its beauty and design possibilities, they decided to enhance their new home further with a two storey oak frame extension.

"Oak is such a wonderful, warm material and gives texture to a home," says Claire.

"Once we'd completed our build, we always knew there was even more potential to extend. We began visiting oak frame companies and found there was no competition in the smooth finish to the oak that Oakwrights would provide us with."



What our client said

"We love every part of our home extension. It has given us the light and airy space we needed"





"The opening for the main door to the garden is a feature that required us to work closely with our structural engineer to arrive at a solution to ensure such a span is possible in oak," explains Oakwrights Frame Designer Julian. "The result was worth the head scratching and ensures a seamless connection from the well-maintained family garden into Phil and Claire's new living space and beyond."





Top: A Juliet balcony provides stunning sunset views over the valley.

Above: Exposed Cotswold stone enhances the warm, natural appeal of the oak.





To support Phil and Claire's home extension journey, they visited our oak frame Herefordshire show home, The Woodhouse, and came to our workshops to see how their bespoke design would be brought to life.

Blending provenance with presentday needs.

A wow-factor double height glazed gable greets you at the front of Phil and Claire's extension and alludes to the bespoke frame awaiting inside.

Two sets of large bi-fold doors provide a continuous link between their garden and home, leading into their extension's spacious, open-plan living area. Constructed around the existing chimney of the original bungalow, this is the hive and hub of their ground floor and where their home's Cotswold stone stonework exterior meets and marries into their oak frame extension's interior.

"Living in a Cotswold village, we are lucky enough to have stunning views across the valley," explains Claire. "In order to take advantage of these and the sight of the changing weather throughout the year, our main priority was the addition of this gable to ensure we captured these from both upper and lower levels."

Moving upstairs, you arrive on Phil and Claire's loft-style mezzanine floor that separates the upstairs and down, providing a connection to the rest of the house. An additional ensuite bedroom can be found here, benefiting from a Juliet balcony and a warm, welcoming breeze on a balmy summer night that circulates in from the garden.

Looking up and across into Phil and Claire's roof from this room, hand-finished paired wind braces and oak common rafters command your attention before encouraging your gaze outwards and across the rolling vista of Stroud.

A family home for the future.

For Phil and Claire, their extension has given back to their family more than they could have imagined.

"We love every part of our home extension; the link from the existing part of the house into the new has given us a light and airy space that we didn't know we needed," concludes Claire.

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Extension details

Dimensions: (w) 5.8 m x (d) 10 m x (h) 6.4 m

Area: 104 m²

Design: Two storey extension

Exterior finish: Cotswold stone, slate roof tile,

oak eaves and verges

Glazing: Face glazing

Doors: Bi-fold doors

Planning: Planning required

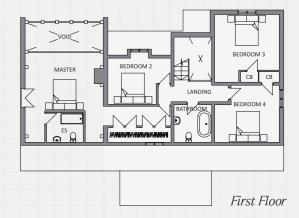
Great design ideas

- Oak rafters and purlins paired with contrasting aluminium joinery
- Vaulted bedroom spaces add height and character
- Materials were carefully selected to blend seamlessly with the main property, making it feel like it has always been there
- Beautiful face glazing brings in natural light and adds architectural appeal
- Top-spec interior finishes ensure a luxurious feel throughout
- The colour palette features warm textures, contrasted with cool greys and blues for a balanced and modern look

By Oakwrights

Oak Frame | WrightWall & WrightRoof







Julian Pilkington, Frame Designer

What Julian says: "The span of oak at the opening of Phil and Claire's main door into their garden is a key design feature that required us to work closely with our structural engineer. The result ensures a seamless connection from the well-maintained family garden into their new two storey extension and beyond.

We utilised a digital 3D survey to be able to confidently design the frame in advance around the existing chimney stack to ensure the old and new elements 'dovetailed' together.

'I was able to go onto site to erect this frame. Working closely with the foremen we were able to ensure the project came together as planned, and its always satisfying to see the design time spent in the office come together with a successful result, and as always it was great to mark the occasion with the clients with the traditional 'topping off' ceremony."

Julian and Phillipa's

beautiful oak frame orangery extension



Doubling the living space.

Julian and Phillipa envisioned increasing the living space of their period Shropshire farmhouse and creating a special spot for Julian's grand piano. Building a beautiful fully glazed 7 m x 4 m orangery extension not only gave them the extra space they wanted, but also opened up their home to its bucolic countryside views.

The couple demolished what Julian describes as "a dilapidated conservatory" and replaced it with a flat-roofed oak frame orangery extension with a roof lantern. Now, two sets of double doors elegantly lead from their original sitting room into their new bright and airy space which, Julian adds, "effectively doubles our living space".

Small tweaks with big impact.

The couple worked closely with George Allen, one of our design consultants, on the details of the design. The original design was subtly tweaked to bring impressive improvements to their space without the need to re-submit new plans for planning approval.



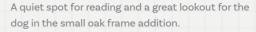
What our client said

"George was great to work with and the ideas he had to modify the build from its original designs really improve the overall look and feel of the space."











Bi-fold doors are used to section off the original lounge, allowing natural light to flow through.



George Allen, Outbuilding & Extensions Specialist

What George says: "This project was all about enhancing the existing property and making the garden more of a focus from the living area. Julian first spoke to me about what he was looking to use the space for - a grand piano being the main focus. He wanted a space with lots of glazing that was not going to fluctuate too much in temperature to avoid causing issues with the instrument. We opted for solar control glazing throughout and a flat roof design due to the low windows at first floor. Julian also liked the more rustic aesthetic of inset joinery to match the old property's brickwork and avoid having a building that was too modern."

The original plan was for four large panes across the width of the extension. However, George suggested how incorporating five glass panels across the same space would deliver "more elegance than the heavier-looking four panes on the original plans," explained George.

A proposed dwarf wall, on which the frame sits, was also omitted. This allows floor-to-ceiling glazing to command the full-height of the space and reveal more of their stunning views.

Complementing their farmhouse.

Modifying the initial design created a more balanced look and also wonderfully integrated their orangery with other new oak elements - including a new hall and bay window with a balcony above - added to their "really old house," says Phillipa. "We're absolutely delighted with the orangery," says Julian. "The only slight headache is I now really have run out of excuses not to practise more on my grand piano."

Extension details

Dimensions: (w) 4.7 m x (d) 3.9 m x (h) 3.6 m

Area: 27 m²

Design: Single storey, flat roof sunroom

Exterior finish: Stone, specialist weatherproof material

Glazing: Fixed screen, oak lantern

Doors: Oak french doors

Planning: Possible under Permitted Development if all regulations are met

Great design ideas

- Large oak lantern creates a striking focal point and floods the space with natural light
- Full-height subframe joinery maximises garden views
- Spotlights in the flat roof add a modern touch and enhance the ambiance
- Natural stone flooring in both the extension and existing property ties the spaces together
- Oak features in the flat roof beautifully surround the lantern
- A side extension with a balcony complements the garden room, blending indoor and outdoor living
- Neutral warm furniture works harmoniously with the oak frame for a cohesive, inviting atmosphere

By Oakwrights

Design | Building Regulations | Oak Frame | Joinery | Roofing | Lantern

Arnoud & Judy's oak orangery oasis

The pick of the bunch.

A countryside corner plot at our awardwinning custom build development site, Webbs Meadow in Herefordshire, piqued Arnoud and Judy's interests, inspiring them to build their oak framed forever home to retire to.

Arnoud and Judy loved the detached fourbedroom farmhouse proposed for their plot and chose to infuse it with a complementary oak framed orangery – tailoring your design is one of the many benefits of crafting a custom build home with us.

A squeeze of personality.

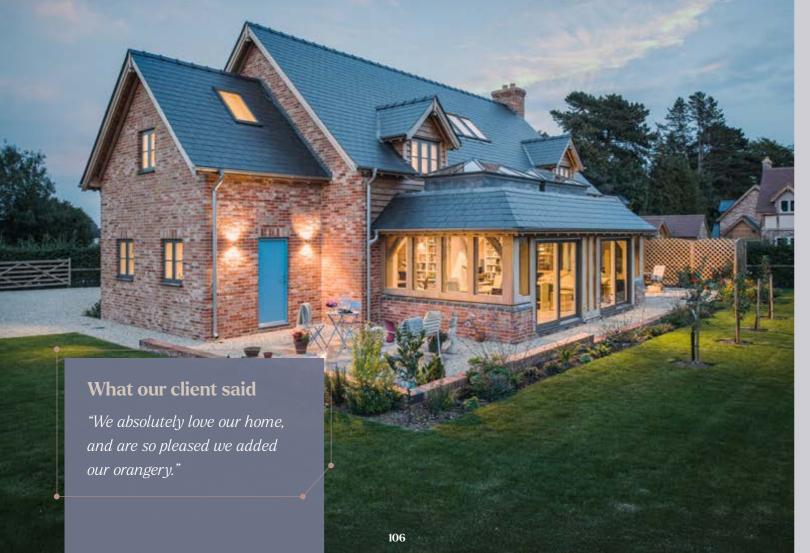
A grand piano, surrounded by bookcases and art-clad walls, paves the way into Arnoud and Judy's oak frame orangery. Cleverly positioned to maximise its south-west-facing orientation.

this sumptuous space epitomises indooroutdoor living.

Face glazing encases their bespoke oak frame extension and provides varying viewpoints which can be enjoyed whatever the weather, while two large glass lanterns sited within their vaulted mansard roof bathe it in even more warmth and natural light. Two sets of sliding doors have also been incorporated, inviting you to step into their garden and the welcoming community at Webbs Meadow.

Entertaining and relaxing rolled into one.

The bright and airy layout of Arnoud and Judy's oak frame orangery branches into two open-plan living areas: a dining space, and a supplementary seating area they can settle into with family and friends.





Extension details

Dimensions: (w) 7.9 m x (d) 3.8 m x (h) 3.8 m

Area: 30 m²

Design: Single storey, mansard roof orangery

Exterior finish: Brick plinth, slate roof tiles, oak eaves and verges

Glazing: Face glazing, oak lanterns

Doors: Sliding aluminium doors

Planning: Possible under Permitted Development if all regulations are met

Great design ideas

- Face glazing brings in abundant natural light, creating a bright and open feel
- Minimal oak frame with a mansard roof for a sleek, modern design
- Two lanterns enhance natural light and add architectural interest
- Sliding doors provide seamless access to outdoor spaces
- Plinth walls offer a practical solution for placing furniture up against them
- Oak eaves and verge add warmth and texture to the exterior
- Lead flat roof with slate creates a durable, elegant finish
- 195 m² section timbers ensure a solid and robust structure

By Oakwrights

Custom Build Plot | Bespoke Architectural Design | Planning | Building Regulations | Oak Frame WrightWall & WrightRoof | Face Glazing | Joinery | Full Turnkey Project Management Service



Graham and Philla's

1600s three storey farmhouse extension



Beauty is in the eye of the beholder.

Inspired by his previous self-building experience and passion for project renovations, Graham, alongside his wife Philla, began searching for a new venture in Graham's home county of Bedfordshire. And it wasn't long before a dilapidated site captured their imaginations.

The present Grade II listed property dated back to the 1600s and had been extended one hundred years later by a three storey wing, with a derelict cattle barn located close by – all of which Graham and Philla felt responsible for restoring. So, they purchased the site with the intention of uniting centuries of architectural design excellence to produce a four-bedroom home that would last a lifetime and more.





A labour of love.

A large chimney stack located in between the existing house and the three storey wing was pushing the house in one direction and pulling the wing in the other, and despite efforts undertaken in the 1950s to stabilise the structures, it all was in need of desperate attention.

Following two years of discussions about the future of the buildings with numerous professionals, the site was shut down, and building control agreed with Graham that the 18th-century, three storey addition should be demolished and renovations to the house and cattle barn were a necessity.

"The planners wanted the new extension to be like-for-like," explains Graham. "I wanted something that looked new, and I was keen that the new section should be three storeys like the original was."

Plans to respectfully revive the site were eventually passed. Graham chose our teams to design and construct a new oak frame extension that would be connected to the original two storey house, and an additional Architect was tasked to join the new section with the old.

With everyone working together, construction work carefully began to take shape. Graham and Philla devoted all their efforts to giving the farmhouse the new lease of life they had

initially promised it, and it's safe to say they delivered on their promise.

In with the old and in with the new.

Across the three storeys, Graham and Philla chose to leave all the oak completely exposed, connecting the old and new characters and protecting the charm that first drew them there.

On the ground floor, the three storey oak frame extension paved the way for an elegant entrance hall. Moving upstairs, the three bedrooms within the farmhouse have been accompanied by a fourth thanks to the extension, which boasts beautiful Bedfordshire views - as does the master bedroom located above, which the extension helped to open up into a spectacular suite.

Furthermore, they also rebuilt the adjacent cattle barn to afford a living/dining room, kitchen and utility.

Custodians of the countryside.

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"After six years' of hard work, we have been able to save the house from almost certain complete collapse. We have reused a huge amount of timber and bricks, and hopefully it will still be standing in another 350 years," concludes Graham.

Extension details

Dimensions: (w) 6.1 m x (d) 6.3 m x (h) 9.1 m

Area: 107 m²

Design: Three storey extension

Exterior finish: Horizontal weatherboarding

Glazing: Face glazing, clay roof tiles

Doors: Statement entrance door and fully

glazed personnel doors

Planning: Planning required

Great design ideas

- A showstopping farmhouse extension that beautifully contrasts traditional and modern elements
- · Contrasting colours in the bedroom highlight the stunning oak rafters
- · Oak frame and encapsulation crafted by Oakwrights for a natural, timeless appeal.
- A spacious three storey extension adds depth and functionality
- · Simple, bold glazing and balconies enhance the contemporary feel
- Oak rafters add character and complement the overall design
- 195 mm² oak timbers providing the strength needed to support longer spans

By Oakwrights

Oak Frame | WrightWall & WrightRoof (mark 1 our early iteration of our current WrightWall offering)





Julian Pilkington, Frame Designer

farmhouse, I was excited by this one from the start.

Utilising a 3D survey to be able to confidently mesh our new extension, to the existing farmhouse, we were able to work alongside Graham and Philla using the 3D model we build to visualise, plan and manufacture our projects, to ensure a successful outcome with no surprises.

The 'loft' style master bedroom was crying out for the romance of some oak rafters, and once modelled in using the 3D model it was an easy decision!"



Emma and Daniel's

harmonious sunroom for their Grade II listed home



Preserving the past.

Daniel and Emma had made long-lasting memories in their West Yorkshire home for over 20 years. Constructed in 1642, their Grade II listed property is one of a handful of buildings that make up their village's conservation area, and they cherish its public house heritage.

The architectural design of their home encompasses smaller windows which are typical of their time and would have helped create a cosy, enclosed atmosphere for patrons. However, fast forward to the present day, Daniel and Emma dreamt of enhancing their home with an additional living area that was as airy as it was adaptable.

Foreseeing their future.

Daniel and Emma approached our teams with a clear vision for their oak frame garden room: it was to be alive with natural light. They wanted the space to entice as much of it in as possible and for the rest of their home to feel rejuvenated by its arrival.



What our client said

"We now have a fabulous addition to our beautiful house. We hope, like the house itself, it will be enjoyed by generations to come. It's exceeded our expectations, and we absolutely love the space – as have all those we've invited around since it was completed."



So, aside from their garden room's beautifully bespoke frame, its three exterior walls comprise full-length panels of face glazing. Elegant and energy efficient, our face glazing system is also not restricted by the unnecessary need for window frames, allowing Daniel and Emma uninterrupted, breath-taking views of their back garden.

To enhance the airy ambience they pictured further, Daniel and Emma chose to replace the two former solid doors from their adjoining kitchen and study with fully glazed options. This encourages light to permeate throughout the ground floor of their home while nurturing indoor-outdoor living.

Once inside, you can't help but admire the attention to detail that's gone into crafting

the relaxing seating to the left and the formal dining area on the right – all working in harmony with the hues of their new frame and the Yorkshire stone feature wall that pays homage to their home's history.

Adored from dawn until dusk.

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The new double doors sitting centrally within the garden entrance to their extension also provide Daniel and Emma with easy access between their new room and garden. On a summery day, family and friends can flow effortlessly in and out, and on an autumnal evening, the double doors can be closed from the elements and the night is still young.

Extension details

Dimensions: (w) 6 m x (d) 5.2 m x (h) 4.7 m

Area: 31 m²

Design: Single storey, pitched roof sunroom

Exterior finish: Stone plinth, slate roof tile, oak

eaves and verges

Glazing: Face glazing

Doors: Oak fully glazed french doors

and personnel door

Planning: Planning required

Great design ideas

- Full height face glazing with french doors brings in abundant natural light and connects the space to the outdoors
- Oak purlins and rafters add interest above eye level
- The colour palette of warm neutrals enhances the oak frame and stone wall, highlighting their natural beauty
- A beautiful open-plan living space and family room provide a welcoming and spacious atmosphere
- A 35-degree solid pitched roof adds architectural interest and height to the design
- 175 mm² section structural timbers

By Oakwrights

Design | Planning | Oak Frame | Joinery | Face Glazing | Roofing



Anthony Williams, Outbuilding & Extensions Specialist

What Anthony says: "Emma and Daniel's Grade II listed house is full of historic character so they wanted to create an extended living area flooded with light with a clear open view of their lovely garden. My brief was to create a fitting and harmonious extension, therefore the architectural features of the house are reflected in our design. The simplicity of the face glazing is in harmony with the existing mullioned windows and the gabled roof mirrors the shape and pitch of the exiting gable. The Oakwrights team are indeed proud to have been instrumental in continuing the heritage of Emma and Daniel's lovely house."



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The oak posts and floor-to-ceiling glazing have been expertly designed to align with the existing exterior wall of the property. Original exterior doors were replaced with glazed doors, allowing the kitchen and study to enjoy more natural light.



Colin & Alison's

award-winning garden room in Fife



Revealing views they'd always wanted.

Colin and Alison had been looking forward to opening up their home to incredible rural views since the day they bought it. Nearly two decades later, their ambition was finally realised in award-winning style with a stunning oak framed extension filled with warmth and natural light.

"When we bought the house, the first thing my wife Alison wanted was the ability to look east towards St Andrews, because the house had no windows on that side at all," says Colin. "Alison wanted to extend from the kitchen to do just that. We now have wonderful views."

A transformative indoor-outdoor connection.

The decision by the couple to open up one gable end of their home was key to creating a breathtaking new space that fully integrates with the lush landscape of their surroundings. Stepping into the extension, the couple are

instantly transported into a verdant sanctuary among oak, beech and redwood trees alongside picturesque far-reaching views across Fife.



What our client said

"The quality of the finish is just outstanding. It really was an easy project and we're delighted with the result.

We're not the only ones who think it's a great project. It also appealed to a panel of experts at the DIA awards!"











The sunroom's monumental face glazed oak frame reaches up high into the apex, creating a thrilling contrast with its equally dramatic central focal point of a towering soft grey brick chimney and contemporary log burner. A generous ceiling height allows for lots of light to be captured from all three sides, with the full-width of the fourth side leading to their kitchen-diner.

Award-winning use of sustainable oak.

The couple's extension was designed by Fife Architects and won the Best Use of Timber Award at the Dundee Institute of Architects (DIA) Awards 2023. The oak frame structure is integral to the project and is a significantly sustainable material due to its ability to retain carbon throughout its lifespan. Colin and Alison now not only connect with friends in a fantastic social space, but also with nature, whilst simultaneously respecting it.

Opposite: Large-width, full height face glazing frames the view into the garden. The ceiling features collar trusses for added clearance and increased headspace.



What Fermín Partner at Fife Architects says:

"Visiting the space seven years on from our first meeting, is nothing short of overwhelming satisfaction. To see it in all its glory, being used as the additional functioning space Colin and Alison had hoped for. The space enables them to connect with nature, enjoy the peaceful surroundings as well as host family and friends. They have struck a perfect balance of a relaxing and social space."

Extension details

Dimensions: (w) 4.4 m x (d) 6.4 m x (h) 4.6 m

Area: 29 m²

Design: Single storey, pitched roof garden

room

Exterior finish: Brick plinth, slate roof tile

Glazing: Face glazing and conservation

rooflight

Doors: Sliding doors

Planning: Planning required

By Oakwrights

Oak Frame

Great design ideas

- Face glazing brings in natural light and enhances the connection to the outdoors
- Vertical oak boarding adds texture and a modern twist to the exterior
- A 45-degree slate roof complements the design and provides a striking visual appeal
- The varying site levels made careful design choices essential to ensure a harmonious flow
- Glazing lines up with the rafters, creating beautiful, clean lines in the garden room
- A feature fireplace draws the eye through the room, becoming a central focal point
- The colour palette of warm neutrals, grey, and pops of mustard adds warmth and vibrancy

What George says: "Phil and Lucy approached us to extend their beautiful kitchen into the garden to make better use of the space, and bring the outside in! Lots of floor to ceiling face glazing ensured that the building was as open as possible, giving fantastic views onto the garden and patio, making use of a bi-fold to really ensure that the building was a part of the outdoors! The position of the extension had it's challenges, with an existing stone wall running on one side and a low window above. The client's preference was for a pitched roof, as opposed to an orangery design, so we designed the apex to sit as high as possible with a low roof pitch to achieve the aesthetic to match the character of their stunning George Allen, home! Now the family can enjoy open plan kitchen, diner and lounge living as a hub of the home, taking in more of that fantastic garden view as a focus!" **Extensions Specialist**

Phil and Lucy's

gracious garden room



A second oak frame collaboration.

Having worked together to craft an oak frame carport at their previous property, Phil and Lucy approached our teams for a second time to extend their Northamptonshire Grade II listed home with an oak frame garden room.

"We felt we knew Oakwrights," explains
Phil. "We saw the design potential of using
green oak to complement our Grade II listed
home and liked the sympathetic design of
the extension our Outbuilding & Extensions
Specialist, George, proposed."

A stylish and spacious addition.

Admiring Phil and Lucy's extension from their garden, it appears as if it has been part of their home for years. Careful attention was paid to coordinating their extension's stone brick plinth with their home's bricks, and their warming tones harmonise with the oak's golden hues.

Likewise, its 35-degree roof pitch was also centred around their period property, and

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more specifically, the triple casement window sat just above its highest point, safeguarding their first storey views.

Stepping inside their extension, your eyes wander to its vaulted ceiling, comprising chunky King post oak trusses at either end, with a stunning chandelier suspended in between.

A full-width cut-through between Phil and Lucy's existing kitchen and their new space grants a seamless flow between the two, reinforced by the identical flooring laid throughout.

The shaded position meant that Phil and Lucy could have rooflights, a face glazed gable end and large glazed French doors to welcome in the sun from every angle, with no possibility of over-heating.

"We use the room all year round. It is a light-filled, insulated living space and a fantastic area for entertaining, with views and access out onto our garden, offering a real indoor-outdoor feel," concludes Phil.



Extension details

Dimensions: (w) 4.9 m x (d) 4.95 m x (h) 3.3 m

Area: 24 m²

Design: Single storey, pitched roof garden room

Exterior finish: Stone plinth, slate roof tile,

oak eaves and verges

Glazing: Face glazing and conservation rooflights

Doors: Bi-fold doors

Planning: Possible under Permitted Development if all regulations are met

By Oakwrights

Design | Oak Frame

Great design ideas

- A spacious knock-through, creating an openplan kitchen, dining and living area
- Full-height face glazing and oak bi-folds maximise garden views and bring the outdoors in. Three pane bi-fold doors have been designed with a personnel door and two sliding panes making the building functional for every day use
- 35-degree slate roof with two large rooflights is designed to sit seamlessly under the existing upstairs window
- Simple oak frame complemented by key feature trusses adds structural beauty
- A full-height wall, ideal for mounting a television or placing furniture against

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Things to consider when designing your extension

Extensions: Working with your existing home

Oak frames are a popular choice for extending both period and modern properties due to their versatility in adapting to various home styles and seamlessly integrating with the local architectural landscape. To ensure a perfect fit for your home, we conduct a detailed 3D survey, capturing precise measurements and angles for an extension that blends effortlessly with your existing property. Additionally, our oak frames are self-supporting and are expertly joined to your home with top-tier weatherproofing, provided by our experienced team for lasting durability.

Our oak frames extensions offer a range of exterior finishes, from timeless designs to sleek, contemporary styles, all tailored to complement the surrounding environment. We prioritise sustainability with high thermal performance, ensuring your extension is energy-efficient and eco-friendly. Our process is designed to be efficient, benefiting not just planners and neighbours, but also the skilled craftsmen working on-site.

Which room to extend from

The majority of extensions provide additional dining or living space off existing kitchens and living rooms. Consider which room has sufficient external space to accommodate an extension, where are the best views are, the sunniest spot or where offers the most convenient access to the garden.

Layout

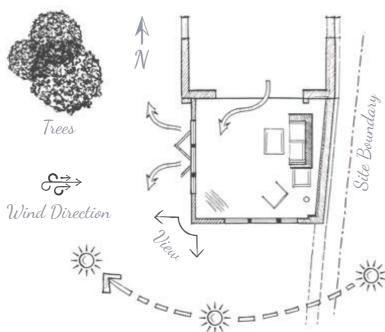
Working out the flow of foot traffic is essential. From the size of your cut through from your existing home to the new space, to the positioning of furniture, windows and doors, think about how your household and guests will use your extension and access in and out, and around. Start planning your dream kitchen early, and we'll design your extension around your vision, ensuring a seamless integration that perfectly complements your space.

Services & Utilities

Your flooring choice will also affect the design and heating options. We always aim to keep the existing floor level consistent throughout the extension to avoid any steps, so we'll factor this into the design. Consider a heat source, whether it's radiators connected to your boiler, underfloor heating, or a wood burner.



Creating a lighting plan for both the interior and exterior, as well as the placement of switches and plug sockets (which may need to be installed in the floor if you have three walls of glass), is essential. If you are including a bathroom or sink and dishwasher then talk to your plumber and builder about connecting your extension to your plumbing and drainage system.



Roof types

First-floor windows determine the ridge height, influencing the roof type. Roof styles are a great starting point for your sunroom, garden room, orangery, or conservatory, with the flexibility to tailor size, shape, materials, and glazing options. Our roof designs allow for insulation to be installed to ensure your additional space is warm and inviting.

Pitched



With gable ends that can be fully glazed to welcome an abundance of natural sunlight, our clients find this vaulted roof space both practical and aesthetically pleasing.

Mansard



The steep-sloped sides and flat roof on top of a mansard allow for a roof height of less than 4 m which may also be able to be constructed under permitted development.

Flat



This style of roof can sometimes be the most cost-effective and fall under permitted development depending on your project's specifications, while adjoining your home effortlessly. We employ a specialist flat roof contractor that provides a 10 year warranty for peace of mind.



Embrace quality: Choose face glazing for uninterrupted views and a maintenance-free future

Our unique face glazing system is the ultimate window for your oak frame and a popular choice to create a wow factor feature. Enhancing any place where you will be spending time you can create gable ends, picture windows, links and walkways, all with a seamless connection between the interior and the outside world.

Face glazing is in fact particularly well-suited for homes in exposed locations, offering a highly secure, weather-tight seal against driving rain and harsh weather conditions whilst maintaining its stunning appearance.

To achieve this, we place double or triple glazed glazing units on to the external face of your oak frame, secured with oak capping boards, providing a clean, modern look and a weather-tight, maintenance-free window to the outside world. Each glazing unit is custom-made to fit your space, whether square, rectangular, or triangular, to form walls of glass and oak.

Due to its high value and often large expanses, face glazing is typically one of the last elements fitted in your project, ensuring the glass stays clean and protected until the construction is complete.





Alternative glazing options

Traditional casement fixed and opening windows, or 'subframes', can be fitted within the oak frame by our expert joinery team, offering a cost-effective option. These windows provide the benefit of ventilation, ideal for extensions like sunrooms and garden rooms. However, they will require occasional maintenance to keep them in top condition.

Our subframes come pre-treated and stained with a warranty, saving you the hassle of treatment. We'll guide you through all the options to ensure the best choice for your project.

While oak is the most popular choice, we also offer Accoya, Aluminium, and softwood (painted or unpainted) to suit your needs. Everything we do is designed to move your project forward, so you can relax and leave the stress to us.



Oak subframe



Aluminium subframe

Lanterns

Lanterns are a fantastic way to bring light, character, and value to your oak frame extension, enhancing both style and functionality. At Oakwrights, you can choose between oak or aluminium lanterns to suit your design. Oak lanterns blend seamlessly with the natural warmth of your frame, while aluminium offers a sleek, low-maintenance, modern contrast.

For larger spaces, multiple lanterns can be added to flood the room with natural light, creating a bright and airy feel. If planning requires, we can also incorporate flat lanterns, offering natural light while meeting specific regulations.











Choosing the perfect external finish

for your extension

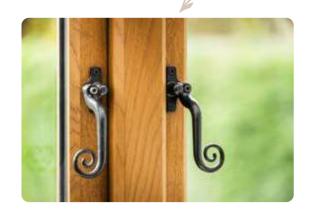
Rooflights

Rooflights flood your space with natural light, creating a bright, airy atmosphere while preserving the beauty of your oak frame structure. They offer the feel of a conservatory, blending the openness of glass with the high thermal performance of a solid roof. Plus, they can be designed in a conservation style to maintain the character of your home. They not only enhance ventilation but also offer stunning views of the sky.

Windows and doors

Our windows and doors (otherwise known as joinery), including Accoya, Oak, Aluminium to suit your preferences. Custom-made to complement your oak frame outbuilding, they offer superior insulation, durability, and aesthetic appeal. Ranging from french doors,





to bi-folds and sliding doors we'll guide you through all the options as well as choice of ironmongery to suit.

Roof tiles

Choose any tiles you prefer, with a wide range of options available and we can match them to your existing homes tiles.







Extensions inspiration gallery

What elements appeal to you? Your Outbuilding & Extensions Specialist will incorporate your preferences to craft the perfect extension design tailored to you and your home. Below, you'll find a selection of images showcasing other projects that might inspire your vision and help you explore various design possibilities. These examples offer a range of styles and approaches, helping you envision what could work best for your space.







































































Our oak frame extensions offer interiors that range from traditional designs with exposed rafters to sleek, contemporary spaces with minimal oak detailing. The photos on this page showcase a variety of uses, from cosy lounges to spacious kitchens and elegant dining rooms, offering inspiration for your own home's extension.

To see all our outbuilding case studies scan the QR code or visit oakwrights.co.uk/case-studies





Let's get your project moving...

When investing in your family home, it's important you feel connected to every aspect of your eagerly anticipated design-build journey ahead.

To begin bringing your project to life, we will often meet you onsite, see your location and discuss your ideas, however we also welcome you to our Herefordshire HQ so you can experience oak's natural beauty and bountiful benefits first-hand.

During your time with us, your Outbuilding & Extensions
Specialist will take you on a personal tour of our on-site oak
framed buildings before guiding you through our show home,
The Woodhouse, located a short drive away. Here, you can truly
immerse yourself in the essence of oak and view the supreme
quality of our face glazing system before having the unique
opportunity to step inside our state-of-the-art workshops and
see our skilled craftsmen and craftswomen in action.

To broaden your oak frame horizon further, we also recommend you keep an eye out for the open days we host with our clients across the country, where they open the doors to their completed spaces and share their passion and self-build stories.

When you choose our teams here at Oakwrights, you are choosing to invest in a family-run business with over 25 years of multi-award-winning, sustainable design-build excellence. We will listen to your wants and wishes, and working together, will help you craft an oak frame outbuilding or extension that meets your needs, exceeds your aspirations and completes your home.

...Let's get your project moving.

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Charlie Mills

Managing Director



Bringing your vision to life

Not only do we bring your vision to life, we also share with you our vast skills and experience every step of the way.

Meet your Outbuilding & Extensions Specialist on site



Every project starts with a chat to one of our Outbuildings & Extensions Specialists, they'll often arrange a site visit as we believe this is the best way to get to know you, your plot and its potential - whether it's seeing your views as you see them or catching how light falls on your future outbuilding or extension.

Our longstanding expertise minimises the need for, or cost of, hiring an architect.

However, we can always count on our inhouse architectural team if the need arises.

Your initial design

Then, your bespoke design will be drawn by our Estimating Team and sent to you, completely tailored to your ideas, space and budget. Once all agreed, we'll draft a contract for you to sign.

*Home extensions only or outbuildings adjoining existing walls or abutting existing buildings.

Planning

Your Outbuildings & Extensions Specialist will advise you whether your outbuilding or extension will fall under permitted development or require planning permission. If required, we complete and submit the planning application on your behalf.

Appointing a builder

Having obtained initial quotations from builders, you will now be ready to appoint your building contractor. Many clients ask their builder to be their principal contractor, an official title for any building site, who will manage all site operations, health & safety and specialist trades. Involving builders early on will help your project progress smoothly and allow us to co-ordinate site timings, share drawings and keep them informed.

3D survey

Where appropriate * we conduct a 3D survey of your home for precise accuracy when building your extension. This creates a detailed model of the site, ensuring correct ground levels and accounting for existing services like vents, pipes, and roof overhangs, preventing future discrepancies in construction.



Frame design & Building Regulations

The next stage for your project is production. We'll introduce you to your Project Manager and Frame Designer. They'll present your 3D model where they will 'walk you around' to review, especially important in living spaces. We love our clients attending in person to meet our team, discuss preparations, and address any questions, ensuring a seamless project timeline.

Detailed Building Regulation drawings will follow with the exact dimensions and specification for your project. This will include every detail your builder requires to create the perfect groundworks. We will submit your initial drawings, and your builder will appoint building control directly ready for final approval on site.



Oak framing

The oak is first carefully inspected for its quality and suitability before it enters our state-of-the-art workshops, where it is precision-cut by our K2i Hundegger machine. The frame is then carefully assembled and hand-finished by our skilled oak framing team, ensuring it is dry-fit ready for seamless onsite assembly. Whilst we're working on your oak frame your builder will be completing your groundworks and your Project Manager will fix a site date.

It's delivery



Unassembled, your oak frame addition will be carefully transported to your home on an agreed date and installed by our experienced team.

Wrapping it up

Your outbuilding or extension is now ready for your builder to insulate to a habitable standard, where applicable.

Oak cleaning will give the best finish for your oak frame, we're happy to recommended our trusted specialists.

Construction is finished, and the space is now ready for decorating and landscaping.

Working together,

we guarantee you...

Time, care and attention to detail.

Whether you have a clear concept for your oak frame outbuilding or extension, or your vision for it can be likened to an acorn ready to grow, we will take time to get to know you and your lifestyle, listening carefully to your wants and wishes to ensure your future build is unique to you.

Entrusting us with your project is a privilege, and we will make it our mission to bring every arch, brace and joint within it to life.

Professional and personal expertise.

Our dedicated team here at Oakwrights share a deep-rooted passion for creating timeless, sustainable and high-quality spaces which surpass our clients' expectations, framed by oak.



So much so, in fact, that some team members have been where you are standing and have built their own oak framed buildings. This holistic perspective guarantees your project will be supported by unparalleled professional and personal expertise.

Creativity, precision and outstanding craftsmanship.

You deserve to feel confident your oak dreams are in safe hands.

When you choose us, we promise your bespoke outbuilding or extension will:

- Flourish from our 25 years of award-winning and industry-leading excellence.
- Provide you with one-of-a-kind, functional, and versatile space you love.
- Nurture healthy interior living, while effortlessly integrating into your exterior landscape.
- Prosper thanks to our pioneering, cuttingedge design-build technologies.
- Be hand-finished to the finest detail by our craftspeople, exuding artistry and traditional carpentry skills.

You deserve the very best, and by choosing us, that is what you will receive.

Habitable ready specialists.

Our oak frame additions are meticulously designed from the outset with a 'habitable ready' specification where appropriate, to meet all building regulations, ensuring a comfortable, warm, and safe space. Our approach guarantees your outbuilding or extension is fully compliant, making it a safe and cosy environment that you can truly live in.

A building for life.

"Home is where the heart is..." (Pliny the Elder)

Could there be a truer statement?

We understand home is your haven, your safe place, and your most valuable asset.

That's why we will ensure your new outbuilding or extension reflects not just its monetary value but also its enduring quality and individuality, which enhances your everyday life and well-being.

You will also have the exclusive opportunity to elevate your oak frame outbuilding or extension with our face glazing system, allowing you to create unified connections between your interior and exterior with stunning, secure, weather-tight windows that will nourish your new build with the benefits of natural sunlight.

A sustainable future.

Your green oak frame will be here for you now, and in years to come.

Timber is one of the most environmentally friendly construction materials, and if you choose to design and build with us, you can rest assured knowing your frame will also be renewable, as we source our oak from well-managed, sustainable forests.

Using only the heartwood of the tree to guarantee its structural stability and longevity, once planned, green oak processes are natural, so your beautiful frame can grow old gracefully alongside your home, leaving you in awe of its elegant silver patina externally.



Where tradition meets innovation

in the art of timber framing

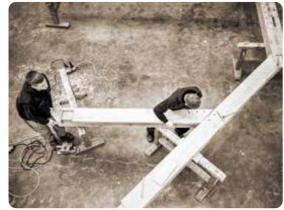
Heritage craftsmanship and precision engineering



At our workshops, heritage craftsmanship meets precision engineering, where we combine traditional techniques with cuttingedge technology to create exceptional oak frames for outbuildings and extensions. Each frame is bespoke, hand crafted with traditional joints and pegs ensuring every detail is carefully considered. We take pride in the hand-crafted elements of our work, from the planing of beams on all four sides to the hand-cutting and planing of curved wood. Our skilled artisans meticulously check and dry joint each frame by hand before it's delivered to site. With state-of-the-art machinery for efficiency and specialist software to minimise waste, we maintain the highest standards of craftsmanship while embracing modern technology. Visit our workshops and experience the craftsmanship that makes every frame a true work of art.









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Attention to detail that transforms your everyday experience

Finials



Bullnose



Hand cut and curved braces



Natural Forest of Dean staddlestones





A choice of quality joinery that's both secure and beautiful



Oak eaves and verges are included as standard in all of our extensions. Many of our outbuilding clients also opt for this feature to enhance the visual appeal of the oak and boost thermal efficiency.



Ready to take your next step?

Visit us in Herefordshire to explore our stateof-the-art workshops, meet our design team, and enjoy a stay in our stunning show home. We also host open days throughout the year across the UK, where you can tour oak framed additions, meet our homeowners, and discuss your plans with our expert outbuilding and extensions team.



Workshop *tours*

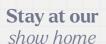
Meet our carpenters and watch them craft an oak frame in our state-of-theart workshops.





Open days and events

Join us at open days and events across the country, meet our team, and explore your wish list as we discuss your plans.



Experience oak framed living at our luxury 5-star holiday home.





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