



CONFERENCE  
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## RESTORED & REMEMBERED

STANLEY PARK WAS CONCEIVED BY EDWARD KEMP, A PIONEER OF PUBLIC PARK DESIGN.

The Conservatory building itself was designed and constructed by Mackenzie & Moncur of Edinburgh who had also been responsible for the Palm Court in Sefton Park. On its grand opening by the Mayor of Liverpool in 1870, the park was met with great success and appreciation by the people of Liverpool.

The park offered a slightly different experience from that of its Sefton counterpart in the South East of the city. Panoramic views of surrounding Cheshire and Lancashire can be seen from its slightly elevated point, an attraction that many residents take advantage of. The Conservatory itself housed plants from Australia and New Zealand which had previously never been seen before. Together Stanley Park and the conservatory offered a significant cultural and architectural experience.

As time progressed Stanley Park started to fall into disrepute. The ideals of 'Sundays out in the park' had been lost and the conservatory became a spectacle that still stood out, not for its grandeur or proud palm court heritage, but as a bleak reminder of what once was. The early 1970's had seen the epitome of this lack of stature where anti vandal boards, broken glass, puddles and weeds had taken the place of the once beautiful plant life.

Attempts were made in the 1950's and again during the 1980's to convert the space, but to no real significance or success.

In 2007 construction began on the regeneration of Stanley Park and particularly the conservatory as part of the £14 million EU and privately funded New Anfield project, which aims to revitalise the area, from which Stanley Park is a major and incremental asset, as is The Isla Gladstone Conservatory.





The structure, made from 5,115 pieces, was painstakingly disassembled. The iron framework was unscrewed, taken away, restored, re-glazed and laid onto brand new foundations. The original stone and ironwork was kept where possible and specialist craftsmen were employed to help with the sympathetic restoration of this Grade II listed building. In its original form the building only cost £12,000 to build and a massive £14 million to restore Stanley Park.

Historic features of the park have also been returned, including five sandstone pavilions, rose walks, lakes and bridges. Original photographs have been used in the reformation of the conservatory to maintain and reflect the originality that its designers had envisioned.

The building is named after local Artist and Textiles Designer Isla Gladstone. Isla married into the elite Gladstone family, who were renowned representatives of the liberal-conservative movement in Victorian Liverpool.

Now the Isla Gladstone Conservatory, along with the inspirational print designs of Isla Gladstone, has been reborn to give new life to itself and Stanley Park. A fusion of classic Victorian architecture and modern design, it retains all the classic features that made the building iconic whilst bringing it into the 21st Century. Described as a suitably nineteenth century metaphor for a twenty first century city.

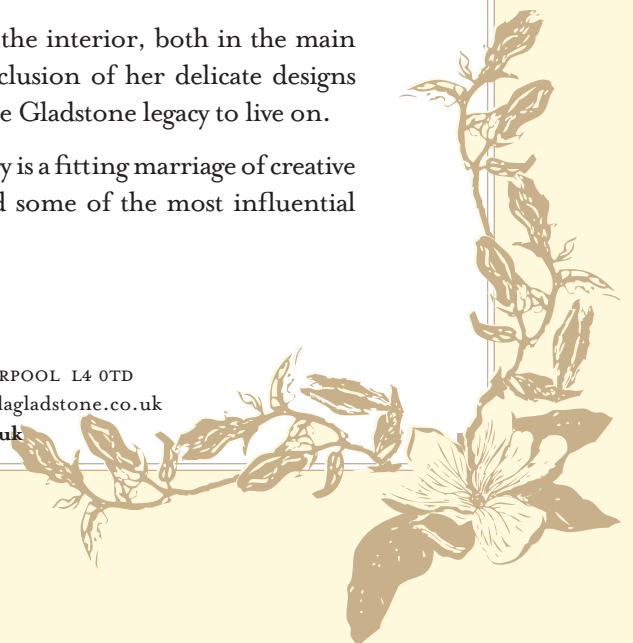
The most famous Gladstone, perhaps, is William Gladstone of Rodney Street, British Liberal Party Statesman, Chancellor of the Exchequer and four times Prime Minister of the United Kingdom, and who the original building was named after.

Isla Gladstone is famed for floral prints produced throughout the arts and crafts movement during the turn of the last century and were reintroduced to the forefront in the seventies by Liverpool John Moores University. In her memoirs, Isla recalls her particular fascination with wild flowers, gardening, birds and animals, a source of interest for some of her most popular and highly regarded artworks.

Her work is incorporated into the very design of the interior, both in the main conservatory space and the bistro below. The inclusion of her delicate designs commemorates her inimitable talent and allows the Gladstone legacy to live on.

The renovation of The Isla Gladstone Conservatory is a fitting marriage of creative and aristocratic elements of the city that spawned some of the most influential figures in both the arts and political industries.

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## CONFERENCES, SEMINARS & EVENTS

THE ISLA GLADSTONE CONSERVATORY IS A BREATHTAKING NEW VENUE PLACED AT THE HEART OF THE RECENTLY RESTORED STANLEY PARK. CONVERTED WITH MUCH CARE, THE VICTORIAN GLASSHOUSE NESTLES AMIDST PICTURESQUE ROSE GARDENS, GLISTENING LAKES AND HISTORIC SANDSTONE PAVILIONS.

The unique venue provides the perfect setting for conferences and other corporate functions, its postcard-like surroundings offering an idyllic escape from the usual working environment.

The climate-controlled space is versatile and adaptable and can be tailored according to your needs and requirements, making The Isla Gladstone Conservatory as practical and as functional as it is memorable.

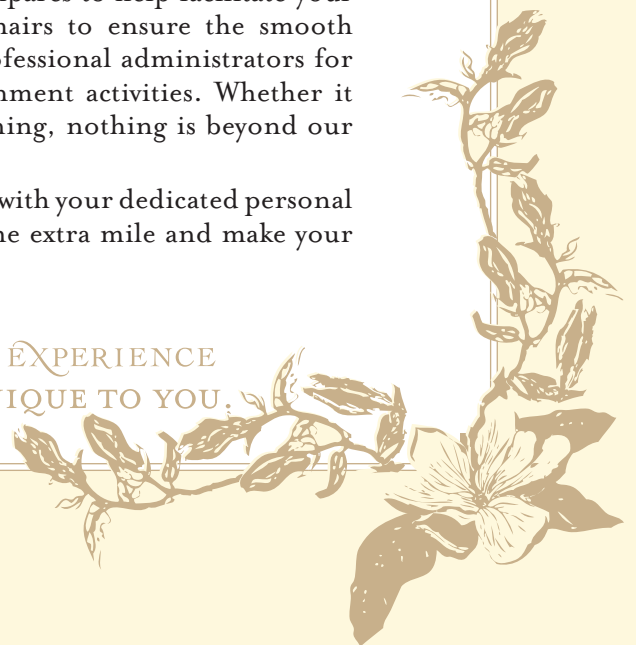
Situated just outside the city centre, thirty minutes from Liverpool John Lennon Airport and only ten minutes from Liverpool Lime Street Train Station, The Isla Gladstone Conservatory is in a prime spot with accessible and regular travel routes.

The Management Team at The Isla Gladstone Conservatory are committed and ambitious, and with a wealth of experience in the industry, really know how to steer the hospitality boat. The combined skills and expertise of all our staff, their careful direction and know-how is sure to take some of the pressure off as you plan your event.

The Isla Gladstone Conservatory offers a bespoke planning service that is second to none. Focused and creative, our events team are well-equipped to best advise you along each step of your event planning journey. We can arrange for leading industry speakers and compares to help facilitate your event, or position professional hosts and chairs to ensure the smooth running of your day. We can also provide professional administrators for team building events and corporate entertainment activities. Whether it is wine-tasting, lawn games or hot air ballooning, nothing is beyond our reach.

Please feel free to discuss any of your own ideas with your dedicated personal coordinator. We make it our promise to go the extra mile and make your event distinctive and memorable.

WE STRIVE TO CREATE AN EXPERIENCE  
AND A SERVICE THAT IS UNIQUE TO YOU.





## FACILITIES

THE ISLA GLADSTONE CONSERVATORY HAS BEEN SPECIALLY ADAPTED TO CONTAIN ALL OF THE CONVENIENCES OF MODERN AMENITIES, AS WELL AS MAINTAIN ITS VICTORIAN CHARM AND ORIGINAL IDENTITY. SET IN BEAUTIFUL LANDSCAPED GROUNDS, THE UNIQUE GLASS BUILDING IS NOT ONLY STRIKING IN APPEARANCE, BUT IS A FULLY USABLE SPACE, INCORPORATING THE FOLLOWING...

*A specialist air conditioning system, making the space completely climate-controlled*

*Fully integrated sound system*

*Free Wi-Fi access in all public areas*

*Secure parking for 100 cars and a further 11 disabled spaces*

*Complete disabled access, including fully equipped wash-room, floor level access to the building and central lift shaft*

*Specially treated rooftop panes to reduce glare from the sun*

*Fully equipped and functioning bar with soft seating area*

*Two outdoor marquee sitings*

*Bandstand in front of the venue licensed to hold civil ceremonies*

*Grounds closed to the public after 6.30pm BST (4.30pm GMT) and is for the sole use of Isla Gladstone guests*

The Conservatory can comfortably accommodate up to 300 people for a formal dinner or up to 400 for a canapé style reception.

Kemps Bistro seats 80 but has room for up to 200 for a more relaxed reception.

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## DAY DELEGATE PACKAGES

### TULIP

£25.95 per person

*Tea/Coffee on Arrival  
Mid Morning Tea/Coffee  
Cold Finger Buffet Lunch  
Afternoon Tea/Coffee  
Hire of the Conservatory  
Flipchart and Pens  
Stationary  
Table Refreshments  
Wi-Fi*

### LILY

£29.95 per person

*Tea/Coffee on Arrival  
Mid Morning Tea/Coffee/Fruit  
Juice and Biscuits  
Three Choices from the Hot & Cold Buffet  
Plus Two Accompaniments  
Afternoon Tea/Coffee/Fruit  
Juice and Biscuits  
Hire of the Conservatory  
Flipchart and Pens  
Stationary  
Table Refreshments  
Wi-Fi*

### DAISY

£38.95 per person

*Tea/Coffee, Breakfast Rolls and  
Fruit Bowl on Arrival  
Mid Morning Tea/Coffee/Fruit  
Juice and Danish Pastries  
Five Choices from the Hot & Cold Buffet  
Plus Three Accompaniments  
Afternoon Tea/Coffee and Cake Selection  
Hire of the Conservatory  
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## OPTIONAL EXTRAS

### BREAKFAST EXTRAS:

*Mini Muffin and Danish Pastry Selection*  
*Herbal and Fruit Teas*  
*Baby Breakfast Canapé Reception*  
*Breakfast Rolls*  
*Continental Breakfast*  
*Farmhouse Breakfast*

### LUNCH EXTRAS:

*Two Course Set Lunch*  
*Two Course Set Lunch with Wine*  
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*Two Course Set Lunch with Wine*  
*Two Course Set Lunch with Champagne*

### AV EXTRAS:

*OHP and Screen Lectern*  
*Hand Held Microphone*  
*Table Top Microphone*  
*Lapel Microphone*  
*Slide Projector and Screen*  
*Lcd Projector*  
*CD/DVD*  
*TV and Video*  
*Video Conferencing*





# ISLA GLADSTONE BUFFETS

## COLD DISHES

*Selection of Open Sandwiches.*

*Tomato and Mozzarella Salad. (V)*

*Severn and Wye Smoked Salmon on Rye Bread,  
with Horseradish and Lemon Cream Cheese.*

*A Selection of British and Continental Meats.*

*Selection of Seasonal Fish.*

*Johnson and Swarbrick Chicken Caesar Salad.*

*Sun-Blushed Tomato and Olive Pasta Salad  
with a Pesto Dressing. (V)*

*Chargrilled Vegetable and Green Bean Salad. (V)*

*Spiced Cous-Cous Salad with Slow Roasted Peppers. (V)*

*Ploughman's Plate – A Selection of the Best Local Cheeses,  
Meats and Pies Alongside a Selection of Pickles.*

*New Potatoes with Wholegrain Mustard and Chives. (V)*

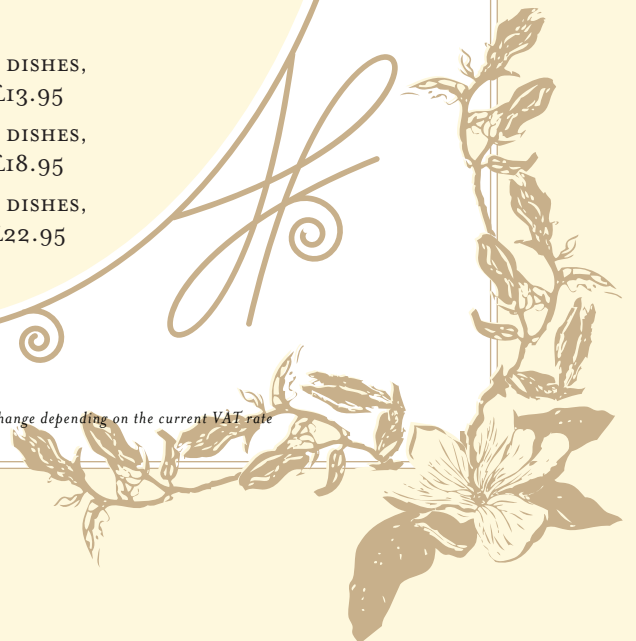
*Rocket and Parmesan Salad with Garlic Croutons.*

**3 CHOICES FROM THE BUFFET DISHES,  
PLUS 2 ACCOMPANIMENTS £13.95**

**5 CHOICES FROM THE BUFFET DISHES,  
PLUS 3 ACCOMPANIMENTS £18.95**

**7 CHOICES FROM THE BUFFET DISHES,  
PLUS 4 ACCOMPANIMENTS £22.95**

*All prices are inclusive of VAT at 17.5%, however these are subject to change depending on the current VAT rate*





# ISLA GLADSTONE BUFFETS

## HOT BUFFET ITEMS

*Char Sui and Honey Pork Skewers.*

*Chicken and Chorizo Skewers.*

*Cumberland Sausages with Onion Gravy.*

*Johnson and Swarbrick Chicken or  
Vegetable Thai Green Curry. (V)*

*Johnson and Swarbrick Mild Chicken Korma with Lentils.*

*Plaice Goujons with a Tartar Sauce and Mushy Peas.*

*Lancashire Hot Pot with Braised Red Cabbage.*

*Isla Gladstone Scouse with Braised Beetroot.*

*Smoked Lancashire Cheese and Sweet Onion Tarts. (V)*

*Wild Mushroom and Garstang Blue Cheese Tarts. (V)*

*Roasted Mediterranean Vegetables with  
a Penne Pasta and Tomato Sauce. (V)*

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# ISLA GLADSTONE BUFFETS

## ACCOMPANIMENTS

*Buttered New Potatoes with Garlic Herbs.*

*Thai Fragrant Rice.*

*Selection of Warm Breads with Balsamic Vinegar & Oil.*

*Baked New Potatoes with Crème Fraiche and Garden Herbs.*

*Seasonal Garden Salad.*

*Homemade Coleslaw.*

*A Selection of Dips & Crudities.*

*A Selection of Dips & Pitta Bread.*

*Cold Rice & Three Bean Salad with Herb Dressing.*

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