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Refurbished Gardener's Retreat restaurants reopen at Paddock Wood and Langlands Garden Centre

Paddock Wood and Langlands Garden Centre are excited to announce that they have opened their refreshed Gardener's Retreat restaurants on 15th December, featuring a refurbished look, brand new menu, and traditional carvery.

The revamped restaurants now sport a fresh new look with new seating, increased covers, and air conditioning, creating a warm, relaxing space for families, friends, and gardeners to enjoy freshly prepared meals, from cooked breakfasts and light lunches to a new carvery, cakes and desserts.

This redevelopment has created around 20 new jobs in the local areas, including roles for cooks, servers, and front of house staff.

The upgraded Gardener's Retreats were officially reopened by Charles Stubbs, Founder of British Garden Centres, Ricky Towers, Group Restaurant Director, Paddock Wood landlords, Colin and Freda Andrews, and former Langlands owners Janet and Robert Ducker, who celebrated alongside staff and local visitors.

Ricky Towers, Group Restaurant Director at British Garden Centres, said: "The refreshing new look at Paddock Wood and Langlands' Gardener's Retreat creates a vibrant space that our local customers deserve. This investment enhances their experience, making it easier to combine gardening inspiration with relaxed, enjoyable dining, while creating vital jobs for the community."

The reopening coincides with the festive season, offering an ideal setting for local residents and visitors to enjoy a meal while picking up Christmas gifts, decorations, and gardening essentials. The new restaurant is also host to some Christmas events, including Christmas lunch, Breakfast and Afternoon Tea with Santa, Paws & Claus and Festive Afternoon Tea.



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About the business:

British Garden Centres (BGC) is the UK's largest family-owned garden centre group with 73 centres around the country. The group is owned and led by the Stubbs family, who also own and operate Woodthorpe Leisure Park in Lincolnshire.

BGC was launched in 1987 with the opening of Woodthorpe Garden Centre by brothers Charles and Robert Stubbs. Since 2018, it has expanded rapidly with the acquisition of 50 garden centres, allowing it to grow from its heartland to the business it is now, with 61 garden centres spread from Carmarthen to Ramsgate, Wimborne to East Durham.

The group has a team of 3000 colleagues working across the garden centres, restaurants, 2 growing nurseries, 4 distribution centres, Woodthorpe Leisure Park, and Woody's Restaurant & Bar.

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