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This sculpture, hung in the earth shelter part of the accommodation, the Berm House, was given to Peter Carpenter, the owner, by a regular visitor who believed it had meaning for Caer Llan. He is sometimes asked to take it down by teachers who think the children may be frightened by it; Peter sometimes does and sometimes doesn't.

The origin of Adexamen has proved difficult to determine. I believed, in the end, that Adexamen was a Venezuelan mythical creature. The lagoon of Barlovento is Venezuelan. Adexamen is a Spanish word to do with water and underground. (There was a mass exodus of Spanish to Venezuela in the medieval period.)



The words below the relief are:

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Spirit that lives underground, pacific and easy going, only gets angry very badly when somebody throws garbage to the soil or abuse the soil that is over his head.

It is said that he drinks several times "The Lagoon of Barlovento"