

National Trust Wydcombe Cottage Accessibility Guide

Wydcombe Cottage Newport Road Whitwell PO38 2NY



Ref 001022 Sleeps 5 + Cot 1 Dog

Introduction

- A former farm cottage is nestled in a picturesque valley and surrounded by fields with the villages of Niton and Whitwell nearby
- A small walled lawn at the back of the property overlooks fields and woodland and is a haven for wildlife
- Wydcombe accommodates 5 guests and 1 dog
- Heating is provided by electric heaters, also 2 wood burners located in the sitting room and dining room
- Wi-Fi is available and a good mobile telephone signal
- Southern Vectis bus service number 6 has a stop at the entrance gate, this is an extension of the main route and is very limited service
- Crockery is cream with a pink rose pattern

Pre-Arrival

- See the main webpage for booking and location details
- Please contact us prior to booking if you have any specific access requirements
- Directions provided with booking



Approach, arrival and parking

- Turning off from the main Newport Road through stone gate posts and on to a rough track. Crossing over a cattle grid and following the track for some way.
- The track through the field is uneven and hilly and sometimes cattle graze
- Entering the Wydcombe Estate, follow the road around the pond and to the right-hand side. Pass the barn with the 3 black doors on the right-hand side and continue on the road to its end
- Large, gravelled parking area to the front of the cottage
- Outside lighting is located above the front door











Getting in (and out) of the cottage

- Gravel leading onto concrete
- Front steps. 3 fairly steep steps 20cm high and 29cm deep leads to the front door
- Key safe on the left-hand side at 150cm
- Handrail at 80cm high
- Front door 80cm wide opens into a porch with pew seat 47cm high
- Flagstone flooring
- Ceiling and Emergency lighting
- Door handle with integrated lock
- Step up into main hallway, threshold 20cm step









Getting around the cottage

- The hallway opens into the dining room with an open plan kitchen, ground floor WC, separate sitting room, back porch and door to garden
- The stairs off the Hallway lead to the first-floor landing
- Flooring throughout the ground floor is wooden

Hall

- Door from front porch 76cm wide, threshold of 9cm
- Location of heat booster card and slot
- Fire action notice and extinguisher
- Stairs to first floor landing fitted with stair gate and door to dining/living areas

Sitting Room

- Enter sitting room from dining area, door with glass panels
- 2 x 2-seater sofas, 2 x armchairs, the seat height for all sitting room furniture is 48cm high, arms 60cm
- TV 32" and DVD player
- Pendant light, 2 wall lights, 2 table lamps with switches on the cable
- 3 side tables, 60cm, 63cm and 57 cm high
- Large dresser
- Side table with radio/CD/Docking station
- Wood burner with mantle over, tiled hearth and raised wooden surround
- Wall Mirror
- Double aspect room with windows south and north facing with curtains on poles, good natural light
- Wooden flooring with rug
- Decorated in cream with highlights of green







Dining Room

- Dining table 78cm high and 6 chairs with seat height of 48cm
- Armchair
- Large dresser 95cm high
- Wood burner with mantle over, tiled hearth and raised wooden surround
- Small utility cupboard contains iron and board, hoover
- South facing window with curtains on poles, door to back porch has curtain on pole
- Pendant lighting
- Wooden flooring
- · Decorated in cream with highlights of pinks
- Door to back porch



Back Porch

- Door to porch 70cm wide
- Step down 11cm onto flagstone flooring
- South facing window
- Glass panelled door to garden, onto hard standing. Handle with integrated lock
- Outside light
- Outside step 10cm by 40cm, 10cm threshold





Kitchen

- Selection of wall and undercounter units
- Worktop height of 93cm
- Range style electric cooker, 5 hot plates, 2 ovens and a grill, extractor fan over
- Sink and half sink with drainer, arch over tap and leaver handles
- Fridge freezer 187cm high with fridge at the top
- Full size dishwasher
- · Washing machine
- Microwave oven 700W
- Kettle/ toaster
- West facing window with roman blind
- Fire blanket
- Wooden flooring
- Undercounter lights and 2 sets of 3 spotlights
- Crockery is cream with a pink rose design



WC

- Door from kitchen
- Toilet with seat height of 44cm and a flush handle on the cistern
- Cloak room basin 86cm high with pillar taps
- Wall mirror over sink
- South facing window with roman blind
- Pull cord on right-hand side
- Wooden flooring
- Decorated in cream





Stairs and first floor landing

- Carpeted stairs from the hallway lead to the first-floor landing
- 13 steps, 19cm tread and turned to the right at the top. The landing leads to all the upstairs rooms
- A balustrade at 90cm high surrounds the stair well
- Decorative chair 45 cm seat height
- Wall mounted full length mirror
- Window facing north, good natural light, roman blinds, fitted with restrictors
- Carpet flooring
- Pendant and emergency lighting
- Location of Hot water booster button/ towel rail switch/ bathroom heater switch
- Bathroom extractor at ceiling height







Double Bedroom with En-Suite

- Doorway 70cm wide
- Bed with head and footboard, mattress height at 65cm
- Bedside cabinets at 84cm hight with lamps, switch on the neck
- Freestanding wardrobe and chest of drawers
- Decorative chair 46cm seat height and foot stool 40cm high
- Sloping ceiling to the south side of the room
- Window south facing with a deep sill of 40cm, roman blinds, fitted with restrictors
- Carpet flooring
- Pendant lighting
- Decorated in cream with highlights of pink







En-suite Shower Room

- Light pull cord on the left-hand side
- Mains powered shower with a fix head and pillar taps and handheld shower attachment, a lever handle operates the water flow. Shower opening 46cm wide, half door, 4cm threshold. Cubical 116cm by 79cm
- Toilet with a seat height of 45cm
- Cloakroom basin 89cm high with pillar taps, mirror and light over
- Sloping roof on the south-side with Velux window
- Heated towel rail
- Electric heater
- Vinyl flooring
- Ceiling light
- Decorated in cream





Triple Bedroom

- Light switch on left-hand side
- 3 single beds with head and footboards and a mattress height of 60cm
- Bedside cabinets for each bed 70cm hight and lamps with switch on the cable
- Freestanding wardrobe and chest of drawers with mirror
- Decorative chair, seat 42cm high
- Sloping roof on north and south aspect, deep sills of 43cm depth, roman blinds
- Pendant lighting
- Carpet flooring
- Decorated in cream with highlights of pink







Bathroom

- Bath with side of 54cm high, hand grips and pillar taps
- Electric shower over bath with glass shower screen
- Toilet with a seat height of 46cm high, cistern flush handle
- Sink 88cm high with pillar taps, glass shelf, mirror and light over
- Heated towel rail
- Window west facing with roman blind
- · Ceiling light, switch located outside bathroom door in right-hand side
- Pull cord for electric shower
- Fan heater
- Extractor fan





Garden

- To the rear of the property is a small lawned garden. Surrounded by a low flint wall
- Concrete path 70cm wide running from the side gate to the back door porch
- Side gate access gravelled and leads from the parking area
- the garden back onto fields which may have sheep or cattle grazing
- outside lighting
- picnic bench





Log Store

• The log store is located next to the front door on the left-hand side



• Bin storage located at the front of the cottages, to the left of the log store. General waste, Dry Mixed Recycling and Glass



Additional Information

There is no nursery fireguard available for the dining room wood burner. A Nursery Guard is available for the sitting room wood burner only





Facilities at all cottages

The National Trust aims to expand the list of accessible /equipment/items available at each cottage and these may include

- Cordless kettle
- Hollowfibre bedding
- Chair with armrests
- Good reading light
- Large handle vegetable peeler
- Easy tin opener
- Non-slip mat for bath/shower
- Non-slip place mat
- Easy jar opener
- Information in alternative formats (on request)

Please note that we cannot guarantee that all items will be available at the time of your visit. Please enquire at the time of booking regarding any particular requests.



Specialist equipment

Other specialist equipment such as wheelchairs, bath seats, toilet frames etc may be available for loan or purchase from the local Red Cross loan centre. Please check this out before booking the Cottage and contact us if you require further information. http://www.redcross.org.uk/standard.asp?id=89425

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