

# **National Trust Cottages Accessibility Guide**



Cottage Name: FERRY COTTAGE

Cottage Ref: 002002

Category: Holiday Cottage

#### Introduction

Ferry Cottage was once the home of the ferryman for My Lady Ferry and benefits from incredible views over the river Thames. The pretty half-timber cottage hosts a bright and modern interior with large patio and garden overlooking the river. Make the most of your location and enjoy being part of the Cliveden estate. Explore the stately home, built for the Duke of Buckingham in 1666 and home to the Astor family until 1966. As a guest, you are welcome to follow in the footsteps of dukes, earls, kings, and queens as you stroll through the impressive gardens and woodlands – even after closing! Ferry Cottage is conveniently located 14miles from Heathrow Airport and benefits from its close proximity to Windsor, Henley-on-Thames, The Chilterns Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty and to a variety of other National Trust properties. Enjoy days of sightseeing or explore our estate before retiring to the cottage for a tranquil evening by the river.



### The cottage is arranged as follows:

**Ground Floor**: Sitting room with feature fireplace, kitchen/dining room with French doors to patio, two bedrooms (one double and one twin) and bathroom with shower.

#### Pre-Arrival

- See the main webpage for booking and location details.
- Please contact the National Trust Contact Centre prior to booking if you have any specific access requirements or queries.
- Directions to the cottage are provided on booking

### **Arrival & Parking Facilities**

- The Cottage is easy to find by using the directions given with your booking.
- During opening hours, the team at the Welcome kiosk on the estate can also assist when you arrive onsite.
- There is a speed bump as you come down the hill: 75mm at the left and 120mm at the right
- Parking for two cars is 20 metres from the cottage.

#### **Approach**

The walk up to the cottage is via a public towpath. This can get muddy during wetter seasons and guests should note that it runs adjacent to the river Thames. If arriving after dark, please bring a torch.

## Getting around the cottage

- The Key safe is on the wall of the porch (push button) The key safe illuminates in the dark.
- The step up to the porch is 95mm high and 130mm deep from the edge to the door.
- There is a 150mm step up over the threshold.
- The main entrance door is 635mm wide and raised up from the floor by 50mm.
- Lounge with wooden floor, central carpet rug.
- Master bedroom door from lounge 625mm wide, 1820mm high.
- Lounge threshold through to hallway, small, shallow ramp and 635mm wide, 1780mm high.
- From the hallway, the doorway into the twin room is 730mm wide, 1900mm high.
- Skylight in hallway
- Also, off the hallway, the doorway into WC with walk-in Shower is 740mm wide, 1920mm high.
- From hallway to kitchen/diner doorway 740mm wide, 1930mm high.



#### In detail:

#### Kitchen

- Height of worktop is 910mm from floor
- Wall cupboards 500mm high from worktops
- Polished stone flooring throughout, mat by the patio doors
- Washing machine/tumble dryer combi
- Compact dishwasher
- Cooker with hob and grill
- Under unit fridge with small freezer compartment
- Extendable wooden table with 4 chairs
- Double patio doors to external patio, single door 800mm wide, fully open 1650mm wide with a drop of 160mm from internal frame to external patio



- Cosy seating area with one 2-seater sofa and two armchairs, scatter cushions on all.
- · Wooden floors with central carpet rug
- Doorway to Master bedroom and hallway lead from this room
- Feature fireplace is central to the room, stone hearth with metal surround.



#### **Master Bedroom**

- Divan and mattress at 560mm high
- Two bedside tables with lamps on each.
- Secondary wall lights above headboard operated by two wall switches each side
- Double wardrobe with hanging space and chest of drawers
- Two opening lead paned windows, out onto front and side of the property



#### **Twin Bedroom**

- 2 x 3ft beds with headboards with mattress at 545mm high
- Bedside table and lamp
- Storage and chest of drawers and built-in hanging cupboard
- High windowsill with one opening window out onto the side of the property







#### Shower room

- Textured stone wall tiles in the shower area
- Fixed integral LED lighting, strip lighting in mirrored cabinet
- Large walk-in shower with fixed glass partition
- Step up into shower 145mm high and 760mm wide
- Electric shower unit at 1355mm high from the floor
- Wall mounted standard riser bar for shower attachment
- Heated wall mounted towel rail, various levels
- Stone tiled floor with underfloor heating, touch screen controller in hallway
- WC at 455mm high
- Sink at 860mm high with aerated mixer tap, storage unit underneath
- Frosted double Window 1150mm by 1200mm with venetian blinds. Left hand window opens fully, right hand opening vent window at the top
- · Stand-alone toilet roll stand with toilet brush holder



## **Telephone & WIFI**

- Telephone available at the property for domestic calls only.
- Free National trust Wi-Fi

#### Garden

- Access via main entrance to the property or patio doors from the kitchen
- Patio area 8.8m long, 6.83m wide at the front, 4.90m to the rear. Please be aware of the uneven slabbing
- Tapered lawn 20m long by 4m at the front, 2.70m to the rear
- Garden table and 4 chairs on patio.
- Bench to the right of front entrance





#### **Additional Information**

- Assistance dogs are welcome at all our cottages: cottages must be informed at time of booking.
- In the event of a fire, it is the responsibility of the guests to evacuate themselves. Please contact us if you have any other specific access requirements in this respect

### Facilities at all cottages

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

- Plug in 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
- Information in alternative formats (on request)

Please note that we cannot guarantee that all items will be available at the time of your visit it may be helpful to speak to the NT Contact Centre if you have any other specific access requirements in this respect.

## 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

### **Shopmobility**

The Swan Centre, High Street, Leatherhead 01372 362400 Waltons Homecare Walton St, Walton-on-the-Hill 0844 2880300

## **Future Plans to improve Access to NT Holiday Cottages**

• We are currently in the process of writing Accessibility guides for all our holiday cottages and improving access over time for all our guests. All feedback is very helpful in informing us of ways in which we can improve access to all our cottages. We welcome any comments or ideas from you about access at this cottage and thank you for taking the time to do this. Please do this in the most convenient way for you. See contact details below or information on website.



## **About the Accessibility guide**

This Accessibility guide is intended to provide key information about the cottage that may be
particularly relevant to guests with disabilities. Please contact us prior to booking if you
would like information that is more specific and we will be happy to oblige.

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 The Access for All office works to improve access at all National Trust cottages and properties. The office welcomes comments and ideas on improving access.

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