

National Trust Cottages Accessibility Guide

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Bridport

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Property Ref: 003006



Introduction

Downhouse Farm Cottage is a semi-detached cottage on a quiet farm track. There is a farm opposite the cottage and views across the coast to the sea. The cottage can accommodate 4 guests. The ground floor has a porch, sitting/dining room, and kitchen. The first floor contains a double bedroom, twin bedroom and a bathroom off a small landing area. The cottage has Air source heating and a wood burner in the sitting room. There is a steep stone path up to the front door with 4 steps at the bottom and 4 at the top.

The Cottage is arranged as follows:

- Porch
- sitting/dining room
- kitchen
- stairs
- double bedroom
- twin bedroom
- landing
- bathroom

Pre-Arrival

- See the main webpage for Downhouse ([Downhouse Farm Cottage Dorset | National Trust](https://www.nationaltrust.org.uk/downhouse-farm-cottage-dorset)) for booking and location details.
- To enable our housekeepers to prepare the cottage for any particular accessibility requirements you might have, please contact guestrelations@nationaltrust.org.uk.
- Directions are provided electronically three weeks prior to travel. If you need a printed (or large print) version of any of our holiday documents, please contact guestrelations@nationaltrust.org.uk.
- If, having read this accessibility guide, you still require further information, e.g. a social storybook guide, please contact guestrelations@nationaltrust.org.uk

Arrival & Parking Facilities

- The cottage is located approximately 3 miles from Bridport is approached down an un-even single-track road part of which is an unmade potholed bridle way.
- There is parking for 1 car at the entrance to the cottage.
- The cottage is approximately 10m from the parking area.
- The path to the cottage is level and reasonably firm although prone to being muddy in wet weather.
- There is a short stone path up to the front door with stone steps at the bottom and top.
- The key safe box is to the right of the front door at height of 1600mm and is operated by a push button mechanism.
- A torch is recommended, especially if arriving in the dark, as the numbers on the lock can be difficult to see. The keys should be returned to the key safe on departure.

Getting in (and out) of the cottage

- The front door has a clear opening width of 880mm
- The door lock is at 1570mm
- There is a wooden threshold with a height of 110mm
- The front door leads directly into a small porch
- There is a front door and a back door in the kitchen leading to the gravelled outside



Ground floor:

- Level access.
- Tiled floor in the porch, carpet in the sitting/dining room with a large rug in place, and vinyl flooring in the kitchen.
- The first floor has vinyl in the bathroom, and carpets elsewhere.
- There are internal doors from the porch to the sitting room, two-bedroom doors and a door into the bathroom. Door widths are 780mm.

First floor

- The narrow stairs lead to a small landing, off which are the double and twin bedrooms and bathroom. The stairs are 790mm wide with each tread having a height of 190mm.



Kitchen

- The kitchen has a window with views over the gravelled washing line area.
- Height of the worktop is 920mm.
- Electric oven and electric hob with controls on the top
- One ceiling light.
- Fridge/freezer, microwave, cordless kettle, toaster



Sitting/Dining Room

- Level carpet flooring with a large rug
- Two-seater sofa with a seat height of 470mm
- One armchair with a seat height of 480mm
- Wood burner
- TV/DVD and CD/Radio player
- Ceiling light and 2 reading lamps
- Circulation space approximately 2300mm
- Circular dining table and 4 chairs
- Table has knee clearance underneath of 650mm.



Double Bedroom

- Double bed 5'1500mm wide x 6'4"/1950 long x 25"/630mm high
- 80mm clearance under bed
- One ceiling light and 2 reading lamps to both sides of the bed.
- Wardrobe with clothes rail
- Chair with seat height of 420mm
- Window with view over the grassed front garden and sea views beyond
- Space between the bed and wall on the far side is 620mm.
- Space between the bed and wall on the near side is 1700mm.
- Space between foot of bed and the wall is 575mm.



Twin Bedroom

- x2Single bed 3'/920mm wide x 6'4"/1950 long x 24"/620mm high
- 85mm clearance under bed
- One ceiling light with a reading lamp
- Wardrobe with clothes rail
- Window with view over the grassed rear garden
- Space between the bed and wall on the near side is 900mm
- Space between the bed and the wall on the far side is 600mm
- Space between the foot of the bed and the wall is 1300mm



First Floor Bathroom

- Directly off the small landing
- Clear opening width of door 750mm
- WC is 470mm high
- Sink is 800mm high
- Shower door open width 620mm
- Shower controls are at 1080mm
- The room is small with limited space





Holidays

Garden

There is a small front garden on a slope. There is a table and chairs 4 chairs on patio area to the left of the front door, in front of living room window. There is access around the side of the house leading to the back door where you will find a washing line.

Additional Information

- Assistance dogs are welcome at all our cottages. If you are bringing an assistance dog to a non-dog cottage, please contact guestrelations@nationaltrust.org.uk so we may contact all future guests in case of an allergy.
- In the event of a fire, it is the responsibility of the guests to evacuate themselves. Under pillow vibration alarms are available if requested at time of booking.
- If you required the WiFi to be turned off, please advise us in advance.
- If you have any allergies, please contact guestrelations@nationaltrust.org.uk.

Specialist equipment

Other specialist equipment such as wheelchairs, bath seats, toilet frames, hoists etc. may be available for loan or purchase from a local disability equipment provider. For further details, please contact guestrelations@nationaltrust.org.uk. Please note that any contacts supplied are done so in good faith and are not endorsed by the National Trust.

Feedback

All feedback is very helpful in informing us of ways in which we can improve access to all our accommodation. We welcome any comments or ideas from you to guestrelations@nationaltrust.org.uk.

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