

National Trust Cottages Accessibility Guide

Forest Cottage 012011
Broadclyst
Devon
EX5 3DT

Introduction

Forest cottage is located just outside Exeter near Broadclyst village. The cottage is a former farmhouse and has been split into 2 cottages. Forest is one end of the 2 cottages.

The cottage is reached via a track from the metalled road, this track needs to be driven over with care as it can be rough in places and there are visitors to the nearby woodland using the forest paths. There is a parking area from which a concrete path leads to the front door of the house.

The Cottage is arranged as follows:

Ground Floor:

- Small hall with doors leading off to the sitting room and the dining room. From the dining room a door leads to the kitchen. The kitchen has a door that leads to a corridor to the back door and the downstairs shower room with W/C

First Floor:

- There are three bedrooms 1 king-size, 2 twins and a small bathroom accessed via the landing

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

- The cottage is located off a quiet single carriageway road the cottage is accessed via track that leads to car park area at the front of the cottage.

Arrival & Parking Facilities

- There is undefined parking to the front of the property, the entrance is to the front along a concrete path

Getting in (and out) of the cottage

- There is a timber porch to the cottage the Keysafe is 140mm from the ground to the right of the front door, there is a small step to the keysafe.
- The doorway has a small step 120mm high, the doorway is 850mm wide and 1780mm high. There is a threshold 250mm high
- The lock is 1420mm from the ground.
- There is a large mat well inside the doorway

Getting around the cottage

Ground floor:

- The sitting/dining room and small hall are covered in carpet]]
- The kitchen floor is covered in vinyl, the rear lobby and shower room floors are covered in vinyl
- The hall, landing and stairs are carpeted

First floor:

- The bedrooms are carpeted and the bathroom is floored in vinly

Ground Floor:

Sitting room

- The sitting room is large with two windows, there is a large inglenook fireplace with a wood burner in it. There are three wall lamps and one floor lamp and two table lamps.
- There are two seater sofas with a seat height of 450mm and depth of seat 6000mm, there are two arm chairs with a seat height of 430mm and depth of 520mm.
- There is a small table 700mm high with three occasional chairs the seat is 450mm high.

Dining room

- The door from the hall is 700mm wide
- The area behind the door is partly under the stairs
- The dining table is 740mm tall, the chairs (8, two with arms) are 500mm tall knee space 210mm
- Door leading to stairs is 730mm
- Door leading to kitchen is 730mm wide
- There is one window to this room

Kitchen

- The doorway into the kitchen is 730mm wide
- There are three steps down to the kitchen 190mm high, 380mm deep and 800mm wide, covered in carpet, with a hand rail to the right descending
- The height of the worktops are 910mm, there are worktops on two sides of the kitchen and an island in the centre of the kitchen
- There is a fridge/freezer, washer/dryer, dishwasher, and freestanding cooker
- The rear doorway is 680mm wide, there is a step to the outside 120mm high with a doorstep
- The kitchen has a two tracks of spot lighting.

Rear lobby

- Door to rear lobby 700mm wide, this provides access door to the rear garden, 650mm wide

- Access to the downstairs shower and W/C room 610mm with a walk in shower with a step 330mm high. Access to shower is 400mm wide, the shower tray is 750mm x 1000mm.
- The W/C is 400mm high.
- There is overhead light and the sink is 800mm high

First floor:

All floor surfaces in the cottage upstairs are sloping, and have various small steps between the hall and the rooms

Hall and stairs

- The first step is 170mm high, then a turn through 90degrees to the rest of the stairs, 11 treads, 200mm high, 240mm deep and 780mm wide
- There is a wooden hand rail to the left hand side
- These are carpeted, there is a small window and a wall light over.
- At the top of the stairs is a landing that provides access too: -

Twin Bedroom

- The doorway is 690mm
- The height of the beds are 650mm and they are 960mm wide
- There is one chest of drawers, one bedside table
- There is a ceiling light and one table lamp.

Double Bedroom

- The doorway is 700mm wide
- The height of the king size beds are 670mm and the width is 1540mm
- There are two bedside cabinets, a chest of drawers and a hanging area
- There is a ceiling light and 2 table lamp
- There is a chair with a height of 460mm
- There is one window in the room

Twin Bedroom

- The doorway is 680mm wide
- The height of the bed is 650mm and the width is 960m
- There are one chest of drawers and one hanging space
- There is a ceiling light and a table lamp

Bathroom

- The doorway is 700mm wide
- There is a bath with a telephone type hand set
- The bath is 560mm high the internal dimensions of the bath are 570mm wide 1360 long and 360mm deep there are two hand rails
- The sink is pedestal basin 810mm to the basin.
- The toilet height is 400cm to the seat
- There is a shaver point and lamp and a ceiling lamp
- The vinyl covered floor is sloping

Additional Information

- Assistance dogs are welcome at all our cottages
- In the event of a fire, it is the responsibility of the guests to evacuate themselves. Vibrating fire/smoke detectors are available if requested at time of booking.

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

- 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>

Future Plans to improve Access to National Trust 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. It is reviewed annually. Please contact us prior to booking if you would like more detailed information and we will be happy to oblige.

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