

National Trust Cottages Accessibility Guide



Cottage Name: **Woodlands cottage, The East Region**
Cottage Ref: 021004
Category: Holiday Cottage

Introduction

- Woodlands Cottage is a two-storey cottage located in the Woodland at Nymans Estate.
- The cottage has oil fired central heating in all rooms and a log burner in the lounge.
- The cottage is set within a working woodland – the ranger team have a barn next to the cottage's garden and may use vehicles and machinery in the vicinity.

The cottage is arranged as follows:

Ground Floor:

- Hallway leading to utility room and lounge/kitchen.

First Floor:

- Landing leading to bathroom (toilet, sink, bath with overhead electric shower), twin bedroom and double bedroom. The cottage is surrounded by garden and has a driveway for two cars.

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.
- Torches are provided for use within the cottage, but please provide your own if you will be arriving or leaving in the dark.

Approach

- Woodlands Cottage is located down a narrow, bumpy, private road ('Red Lane') which is uneven in places and can be very muddy in the rain.
- It is accessible in most domestic vehicles but can be difficult to navigate in icy or snowy weather.

Arrival & Parking Facilities

- The cottage has a gated driveway, with parking for two vehicles

Getting in (and out) of the cottage

- There is a gate at the top of Red Lane (where you turn off from the main road), which is kept locked at all times. The code for the padlock is provided to guests with their booking information.
- The driveway and paths within the cottage boundary are gravelled.
- The driveway itself has a vehicle gate but no lock.
- There are four brick steps to the front door – 3 x 11cm high and 1 x 20cm high.
- There is level access to the other ground floor rooms from the hallway.

Getting around the cottage

Ground floor:

- Level flagstone flooring in the hall.
- Level wooden floorboards in the lounge.
- Level flagstone flooring in the kitchen. • Doors are 720mm wide.

First floor:

- Steps on staircase are each 200mm high. Balustrade on right of first 3 steps and then a handrail on the wall to the right of the remaining stairs. There are two turns in the stairs.
- Carpet on the stairs and landing.
- Level wooden floorboards in the bedrooms.
- Doors are 720mm wide.

***There are currently no stair gates at the property.**

Kitchen

- The kitchen is open plan from the lounge.
- The kitchen has fitted units with a built in cooker and electric hob, under counter fridge freezer, slimline dishwasher and kitchen top microwave and toaster. Height of worktop is 900mm.
- Sink has lever taps.
- Overhead lights.



Sitting Room

- The door is 630mm wide.
- Wooden dining table seats four people and is 710mm high. It is a gate-leg table.
- The dining chairs have a seat height of 440mm, with wooden backrests and rattan seats.
- Sitting room has 2-seater sofa with seat height of 470mm and two wing-backed chairs with a seat height of 450mm.
- The room is lit with electric wall sconces, one standard and one table lamp.
- Log burner (fire laid for guests' arrivals).



Twin Bedroom

- Door is 720mm wide.
- Circulation space: 810mm between beds (sides), 1210mm from bottom of bed 1 to door, 720mm from bottom of bed 2 to the wardrobe.
- Twin divan beds - dimensions 600mm high x 920mm wide x 1830mm long (each).
- Small bedside table and table lamp between beds

Double Bedroom

- Double bed – dimensions: 650mm high x 1530mm wide x 1830mm long.
- Circulation space: 600mm between side of bed and window, 840mm between side of bed and wall.
- Chest of drawers and small dressing table with stool.
- 2 x bedside tables and lamps.



Garden

- Lawned area at front and right side of cottage with spring bulbs.
- Wooden garden chairs (4) and table with parasol
- Gravel path from driveway to front door.
- There is a barn adjacent to the cottage driveway which is for the use of the Woods team. It can be used as a working area.

Additional Information

- Assistance dogs are welcome at all our cottages, Woodlands cottage allows 2 dogs to stay.
- 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.

Telephone & Wi-Fi

- Telephone available at cottage for domestic calls only
- There is no Wi-Fi available currently.

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>

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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