

National Trust Cottages Accessibility Guide

Cottage Detail: The Morris Apartment,
Standen House & Gardens

Ref: 001011
Category: Apartment



Introduction

The Morris Apartment is a small, airy holiday apartment located on the second floor of Standen House. A beautiful property designed by Philip Webb, a close friend of William Morris, in the trademark Arts and Crafts style. The apartment has been decorated with Morris & Co. textiles and wallpaper.

Apartment Arrangement

Second Floor Apartment: Situated within the Standen House, on the second floor. The apartment includes one bedroom (double), bathroom with walk in shower, living room/ kitchen-diner, with stunning views across Standen's gardens.

Pre-Arrival

- See Standen's webpage for opening hours, events, and bookings details.
- Please contact us prior to booking if you have any specific access requirements.
- Directions to the Apartment are provided with your booking.
- Double check your booking information for directions and cottage details.
- A torch is provided for use within the cottage, but please bring your own if you will be arriving or leaving in the dark.

Approach

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- The approach is well signed with the National Trust Logo.
- There is a single-track tarmac road from the main road which leads you to the main gate. The gate is open during operating hours, closed, and locked at all other times.
- Turn left at the gate and left again into the car park.
- There is one parking space available for guests.



Arrival & Parking Facilities



- There is a reserved parking space in the carpark, on the left, next to a telegraph pole. Please Park and unpack here.
- Day guests will need to use the visitor carpark, located through the properties main gate, 100 meters down the hill.
- From your vehicle, walk back to the main gate and collect your key, using the information provided in your booking details. The key box is located on the pedestrian gate, on the left-hand side, beneath an access keypad.
- Unlock the box, retrieve the keys, close the box, and scramble the numbers.
- The key fob has the access code on it to enable access via the pedestrian gate. Enter the gate code, then press the arrow key and push the pedestrian gate open.



Getting in (and out) of the cottage

- Go through the gate and take the first right, past the green in front of you. This is known locally as Goose Green.
- Head towards the main building, turn left down the brick path and follow around the corner to the right.
- Go through the wooden gate, immediately in front of you, into the Lavender Lawn. Turn right and proceed to the staircase in front of you.
- Access to the House is via a flight of 11 outside stone steps to the front door. The square fob key opens this door.
- Door is 1070mm wide into level flagstone flooring, there is a second internal door measuring 940 mm. Enter this door and the staircase is on the right.
- There are the 2 more full flights and 2 half flights of stairs with 14, 5, 10 & 7 steps to the apartment door, which is located on the right, the smaller key opens this door.
- All other doors in the stairwell are private so please be respectful and keep noise to a minimum.



Getting around the cottage

- Level access throughout the ground floor,
- Floor surfaces are a mixture of carpet and lino.
- Sitting Room
- Door access 885mm wide into carpeted sitting / dining room.
- Two and a half seater sofa 440mm high, width 1800mm and 2 armchairs 390m high.
- Ornamental fireplace.
- Views to Garden.



Kitchen/Diner

- Level vinyl flooring by the appliances.
- The kitchen has fitted units with built in cooker with induction hob, fridge, and microwave. Kitchen worktop is 890mm high.
- Dining area with wooden dining table 740mm high with 710mm clear knee space underneath, 4 chairs.
- Sink has twist grip taps.
- Under cupboard fluorescence tube lighting.
- Views to courtyard and Goose Green.



Bedroom

- Door 865mm wide.
- 2 bedside lockers with table lamp each side of bed.
- Dressing table & stool with mirror.
- Views to courtyard and Goose Green.
- Chair.



Single Room

- Door 865mm wide.
- Wardrobe.
- Dyson, portable radiator, ironing board, iron, clothes rack.

Bathroom & Toilet

- Door 880mm wide.
- Bathroom comprises basin, towel rail, bench and walk in shower.
- Basin is 890mm high.
- WC 400mm high.



Garden

- No designated garden area for Cottage but surrounded by countryside and several picnic benches close to the cottage which can be used by guests.
- You are welcome to use the garden outside of opening times but ask that you are aware that garden machinery may be in use.



- Experience how it felt to live in an Arts and Crafts house. A philosophy that extended to the property's hillside garden, designed to look like a natural part of the landscape. After all the visitors have left, explore the gardens at Standen at your leisure.
- Nearby, the Tudor village of Chiddingstone is a fascinating place to spend the afternoon. With its marvellous cafes, pretty pubs and, of course, the famous chiding stone, there is lots to see and do. The South Downs National Park, Wakehurst Botanical Gardens and Nymans are all within an hours' drive from the house too.

Additional Information

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 shower
- Non-slip place mat

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 Accommodation

- We are currently in the process of writing accessibility guides for all our holiday cottages and bunkhouses and improving access over time for all our guests. All feedback is extremely helpful in informing us of ways in which we can improve access. We welcome any comments or ideas from you about access at this cottage 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 accommodation 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 accommodation and properties. The office welcomes comments and ideas on improving access. Phone: 01793 818531

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