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National Trust Cottages Accessibility Guide

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Wicket Nook Cottage
Ashby De La Zouche
Leicestershire
LE65 1RH



Introduction

- Wicket Nook is a former Gamekeeper's cottage on the Calke Abbey estate sleeping 2 adults.
- The cottage is approached via a narrow, single track private road serving this and the neighbouring property.
- The Cottage is arranged as follows:

Ground Floor:

- Sitting room, dining room, kitchen and bathroom.

First Floor:

- Dressing room with small sofa and 1 No. double bedroom.

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
- Please bring a torch if arriving after dark as there are no streetlights here.

Approach, Arrival & Parking Facilities



Access Track

- The cottage is approached via a narrow, single farm track serving this and the adjacent property only.
- There is parking for one car at the front of the cottage outside the garage.
- There is a pea shingle access path to the cottage which is on a slight gradient.



Footpath to Cottage

Getting in (and out) of the cottage

- There is a wooden threshold at the entrance to the cottage measuring 120mm high.
- The entrance door leads straight into the sitting room with open staircase to the first floor and dining room and kitchen off from the sitting room.
- Key safe to right hand side of the door.
- Exterior light at the corner of the building but not directly above the entrance door.

Getting around the cottage

- The cottage occupies two floors. There is a change in level between the sitting room and the kitchen where there is step down into the kitchen which is 240mm high.
- There are fitted carpets throughout the cottage apart from the kitchen and bathroom areas where the floors are tiled.
- The staircase to the first floor is a straight staircase to the small landing step and there are then an additional two treads up to the dressing room area. There are 10 treads to the staircase and a single hand rail to the right hands side (ascending). Each stair is 250mm high.



Staircase Off Sitting Room & Main Sitting Room Area



Sitting Room

- Single aspect room overlooking the garden with multi-fuel stove, sofa and armchair.
- 1 x small 2 seater sofa with a seat height of 480mm.
- 1 x armchair with a seat height of 340mm.
- Ceiling light, single standard lamp and a single table lamp.
- TV and DVD player.

Dining Room – Single Aspect



- Door from sitting room to dining room is 750mm wide.
- Spacious room with view over garden, round dining table and 4 No. dining chairs
- Chairs are 430mm high.
- The room has a ceiling light, a single standard lamp and a single table lamp.

Kitchen – Single Aspect



- This is just off the lounge and there is a step downwards measuring 240mm high.
- The width of the space between the units and the kitchen wall is 900mm.
- The worktop is 910mm high.
- The kitchen includes a dishwasher, electric oven and induction hob, microwave and fridge (no chiller cabinet).

Bathroom – Single Aspect



- Door to bathroom is 750mm wide.
- This is a compact space with a vinyl covered floor comprising bath with fixed shower over, basin and WC.
- Basin is 800mm high.
- WC seat is 430mm high.

Dressing Room - Single Aspect



- Access directly off open staircase – there is a permanently fixed safety gate at the top of the stairs that can be fastened back to the wall and operated as required.
- Sofa with a seat height of 430mm.
- Armchair with seat height of 380mm.
- Wardrobe
- Central pendant and table lamp.

Bedroom – Single Aspect



- Door is 750mm wide.
- Single aspect room overlooking garden and open fields with double divan bed, bedside tables and dressing table. The wardrobe is located in the adjacent dressing room.
- Central ceiling pendant and bedside lamps to each side of bed.
- Bed is 2000mm long x 1500mm wide x 600mm high.

Garden



- Private garden to back and side of cottage, level and mainly laid to grass.
- Patio area with round table and 4 No. chairs 390mm high with backrest and arms.

General 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

In addition to the standard equipment and facilities, each cottage is equipped with the following:

- Cordless kettle
- Chair with armrests in dining room and living room.
- 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)

We aim to provide these items in all cottages but please check when booking as to their availability and to check if new items have been added to the list.

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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