

Godolphin Access Statement

Godolphin extends to 600 acres incorporating a medieval garden, farm buildings, an historic house and estate managed for nature conservation by the countryside team and a tenant farmer. Once busy with prosperous tin mines, the estate is now part of the Cornish Mining World Heritage Site.

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Introduction

- The mobile phone reception across most of the site is poor.
- The property was not built on level ground therefore there are a number of steps, ramps and slopes as well as cobbled surfaces around the buildings.
- Assistance dogs are welcome throughout the property. There is a water bowl near to the exit from Piggery reception. There is a dog-waste bin next to the 5-bar gate by the accessible car park. Non-assistance dogs are welcome everywhere except the House.
- There are no power assisted doors on the estate.

Arrival & Parking Facilities

- The site is in a rural location close to the village of Godolphin Cross. There are brown signs directing visitors from B3302 at Leedstown and from B3280 at Townshend.
- Arrival at Godolphin is indicated by a brown sign at the bottom of the drive, where it meets the unnamed road between Godolphin Cross and Townshend.
- There are four spaces for disabled visitors in the accessible car park at the top of the drive. This parking area is 50m from reception. The surface is gravelled and uneven in places. There are two drop off locations available, by Piggery reception and at the black gates at the entrance to the forecourt.
- The main car park is signposted off the main drive. After entering the main drive from the road, it is located on the right hand side after passing a gate and small pull-in on your right. There is a second car park which can accommodate small coaches off the main drive which is also signposted. Both car parks have surfaces of compacted gravel and is uneven in places.

- An area of the smaller coach park is occasionally cordoned off with bollards for reserved coach parking.

Seating

- There are benches throughout the side garden and King's Garden.

WCs

- The two WCs next to the entrance to the orchard are lit with motion activated fluorescent lighting with hand towel dispenser and a concrete floor.

Visitor Reception

- There is a wooden welcome hut building which is open most of the year from which staff and volunteers provide visitor welcome and visitor information.

Stables and Barn

- The stables are located to the east of visitor reception accessed across an uneven gravelled surface and raised cobbles which can be slippery when wet. Both are currently closed.





Forecourt and Inner courtyard

- The forecourt and inner courtyard area are located to the east of the stables. Access to the forecourt with circular lawn is across an uneven compacted gravel surface, up a raised lip onto cobbles which can be slippery when wet and down a metal ramp. The surface in the forecourt area is loose gravel.
- The inner courtyard is located beyond the colonnaded front of the House and is accessed by a wooden ramp coated with anti-slip paint.



- The surface underneath the colonnades and inner courtyard is made of granite slabs which can be slippery when wet. The undercroft is not currently open.

Orchard and listed WCs

- The orchard and entrance to the side garden can be accessed from the forecourt. A fibreglass ramp accessed across loose gravel rises to a short section of small raised granite lips interspersed with compacted gravel. Another short fibreglass ramp leads to a cobbled path and two further fibreglass ramps which leads on to a gravelled path and access to the orchard and side garden.
- There are two toilets open beyond the forecourt, they have hand towels and a sanitising station



Side Garden

- An accessible entrance to the side garden is via the orchard.
- Accessing the side garden from the orchard is by a hardened gravelled path up a short slope edged by grass.
- There is a route round the side garden avoiding steps.
- Path surfaces vary between hardened gravel, grass and woodchip throughout the side garden.

- There are several benches positioned throughout the side garden with backs and arm rests.



- There are two dry ponds at the top of the garden with a drop of 165cm. This is not fenced.
- There is a drop of 185cm from the top of the terrace to the bowling green wall. This is roped off.

King's Garden

- The King's Garden is accessed up a very uneven, sloping gravel track from outside the Piggery. It is not possible to access the King's Garden without using steps. There are four shallow and four large steps down to the Kings Garden. There are benches throughout the garden with backs and armrests.

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