

National Trust Cottages Accessibility Guide (October 2019)

Beach Cottage

Durgan,
Mawnan Smith,
Falmouth,
Cornwall
TR11 5JU

Ref: 011104



Introduction

Beach Cottage is a stone built cottage on the edge of the Helford River. The cottage is in Durgan village located next to the slip way on to the beach. There is gas central heating and convector heating.

The cottage sleeps 3 and is arranged as follows:

Ground Floor:

- Kitchen, Lounge/Diner

First Floor:

- One double bedroom, 1 single bedroom and bathroom

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 are provided with booking
- Bring a torch if arriving after dark, as there are no streetlights in the village and a torch is useful to see the key safe combination lock numbers

Approach

- Residents to the village are entitled to drive down all year round. However, day visitors are only permitted to drive in to the village between October and March due to the limited parking facilities.
- Entrance to the village is down a sloped road with passing places.



Arrival & Parking Facilities

- There is a level gravel parking area for one car immediately outside the entrance door at the rear of Beach Cottage
- Parking area driveway 2660mm wide with wooden gates.

Getting in (and out) of the cottage

Front Door (Main entrance to the cottage)

- Wooden stable door with two steps 1ST 40mm 2nd 110mm with small lip.
- Clear door width 820mm

Getting around the cottage

- 12 stairs to first floor with wooden handrail, stairs 200mm high.
- The ground floor has slate flooring throughout. The first floor is carpeted with the exception of the bathroom which has vinyl floor covering.

Kitchen



- Height of worktop is 920mm
- 2 Windows – 1 with seat 520mm high and 460mm deep.
- 1 Ceiling light, 5 spotlights and 1 emergency light.
- Electric cooker with 4 ring ceramic hob.
- Dishwasher
- Fridge/freezer
- Washing Machine/Dryer
- Toaster, cordless kettle and microwave

- Extractor fan

Sitting Room / Dining Area



- Clear open door width of 790mm – Wooden/Glazed Door
- 1 Window – deep silled 460mm high and 470mm deep.
- 1 Ceiling light, 1 Emergency light and 1 Standard Lamp
- Wooden dining table 720mm high with knee clearance of 590mm
- 3 Wooden chairs 450mm seat height
- 2 Seater Sofa with seat height 440mm
- 1 Winged Armchair with seat height 480mm
- Wooden Chest 460mm high x 480mm wide x 900mm long
- Woodburning Stove
- TV and DVD Player
- Radio/CD Player
- Door to outside access to slipway 830mm wide – small lip with 5 Granite steps to beach 150mm, 130mm, 100mm, 130mm, 120mm

Stairway to first floor

- Small Square landing
- 1 Window 1020mm high
- 1 Ceiling Light



Double Bedroom



- Clear opening door width of 720mm
- 1 Window deep silled 840mm high
- 1 Ceiling Light, 1 Bedside light
- Zip link single beds (660mm high x 930mm wide x 2000mm long) to make King Size Bed
- Built-in cupboard with hanging rail 840mm wide – 1740mm height to hanging rail.
- Wooden Rocking chair 480mm seat height
- Wooden Chest of drawers 890mm high
- Bedside cabinet 680mm high
- Wooden shelf 1110mm high
- Single wooden chair 450mm seat height

Opening from landing to inner landing 730mm wide

Door to Bathroom 730mm wide

Bathroom

- 2 spotlights
- 1 Window on ceiling
- Washbasin 790mm high
- Toilet Seat height 410mm high
- Bath 560mm high x 680mm wide x 1660mm long – taps with shower.
- Heated Towel Rail
- Mirror/Light and Shaver Point



Single Bedroom

- Clear glass over doorway. Door width 660mm
- 1 Window 910mm high
- 1 Ceiling Light, 1 Table Lamp
- Single Bed 660mm high x 930mm wide x 2000mm long
- Wooden wardrobe 1840mm high – rail height of 1700mm.
- Wooden chest of drawers 810mm high x 470mm wide x 850mm long

- Wooden bedside cabinet 750mm high



Garden

- Overlooking river
- Wooden gate with 1 step 150mm high
- Grassed area with concrete area with Wooden Table and chairs seat height 370mm.
- Access to garden down concrete slip way uneven surface.



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 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 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 very 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 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 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.

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