

National Trust Cottages Accessibility Guide

Mill Cottage
Cotehele
Cornwall



Property Ref: 011089

Introduction

The attached property is on the Cotehele estate and set within a courtyard of converted mill buildings some of which are opened to visitors.

Sleeps up to 3 people in 2 bedrooms and with a first floor family bathroom,
The property has night storage and convector heating, plus an open fire.

The Cottage is arranged as follows:

Ground floor

Kitchen, dining/sitting room with open fire

First floor

Two bedrooms (one double, one single), bathroom with shower over bath

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

Approach

The property is approached by hedge and vegetation lined country lanes, sometimes narrow and with passing places.



Arrival & parking facilities

- Parking is available for one car close to the property on level compacted stone chippings
- Additional parking is available ½ mile away at the quay visitor carpark
- From the parking it is a level approach to an area of concrete by the front door
- There is outside lighting by the front door but if arriving after dark it is advisable to have a torch

Getting in (and out) of the cottage

- Stable front door with two locks, door width 840mm,
- Wooden threshold width 110mm, stepping down to kitchen 70mm, coir mat
- Key box with dial combination lock to the right of the front door at a height of 1500mm



Getting around the cottage

First floor:

- Stairs are quarter turn angular winders, with a step height 200mm, tread 250mm, width 780mm, pendant light, carpet
- Handrail banister to the right when ascending with an initial section of banister on the left
- Landing width 790mm, length 2750mm, carpet



Sitting room

- Door width 800mm
- Initial entrance area of linoleum, 1500mm by 1100mm, coat hooks, height 1650mm
- Main room carpet and hearth rug
- Open fire with fire guard
- 1 x 2 seater settee, seat height of 500mm
- 1 x winged back armchair, seat height 440mm
- 2 x windows with views over garden and mill courtyard
- Ceiling pendant light, 2 x table lamps with under lampshade on/off switches
- Small drop leaf table, height 750mm, clearance underneath 640mm
- 2 x wooden dining chairs, seat height 460mm, window seat, height 460mm
- Good circulation



Kitchen

- Linoleum floor
- Height of worktop, 920mm
- Fitted kitchen with electric double oven and ceramic hob, under counter combined fridge/freezer, dishwasher, microwave, washer dryer
- Sink, twist taps with rubber washers
- 4 x ceiling spotlights
- Window over adjacent buildings
- Window seat, seat height 560mm
- Circulation space between units, 1150mm



First floor

Double bedroom

- Door width, 670mm, height 1810mm, level threshold
- Carpet
- Divan bed width 1500mm, length 2000mm, height 680mm
- 2 x side tables, bedside lamps with under lampshade on/off switches
- Ceiling pendant light, window with views over front courtyard of mill buildings and woodland
- Chest of drawers, raised built in cupboard with rail
- Circulation to the sides of the bed, 800mm and 530mm, end of bed 450mm



Single bedroom

- Door width 690mm, height 1810mm, level threshold
- Carpet
- Single divan bed width 950mm, length 1900mm, height 640mm
- Bedside lamp with under lampshade on/off switches, ceiling pendant light with additional light pull over the bed
- Window with views over the garden
- Wardrobe, chest of drawers
- Chair, seat height 440mm
- Circulation by the sides of the bed 850mm and 560mm, and at the end of bed, 360mm



Bathroom

- Door width 690mm, height 1810mm, level threshold
- Linoleum floor
- Toilet height is 420mm with lever handle on the left
- Bath height 550mm, twist taps with rubber washers, grab handles
- Shower over the bath, shower curtain
- Sink height 770mm, twist taps with rubber washers
- Shaver socket 1840mm
- Ceiling globe light
- Circulation width to the side of the bath 780mm, circulation width between sink and bath to get to the toilet 530mm
- Netted window overlooking the front mill courtyard and woodland



Garden

- Private enclosed garden through a metal side gate, width 950mm. Level lawn, shrubs and picnic bench
- There is a shared garden next to the cottage (shared with another NT holiday cottage, Sawmill Cottage)
- The garden is level grass with direct access to the river edge and is unfenced
- Access is down 6 uneven stone steps and through a wooden gate, width 1480mm
- Step heights are from 120mm to 250mm, treads from 220mm to 690mm, handrail to the left



Additional 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

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 Accessibility to National Trust 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. It is reviewed annually. Please contact us prior to booking if you would like more detailed information and we will be happy to oblige.

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Access for All at the National Trust

We continue to work to improve accessibility at all our holiday cottages. We welcome comments and ideas on improving access.

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