

National Trust Cottages Accessibility Guide

Danescombe Cottage
Calstock
Cornwall



Property Ref: 011003

Introduction

The property is set in a wooded valley opposite a unfenced small stream. There is a front garden surrounded by a low wall that is unenclosed.

Sleeps up to 3 people in 2 bedrooms and with a first floor bathroom with shower over the bath.

The property has electric night storage heating, convector heaters and a wood burner. There is no WIFI at the property.

The Cottage is arranged as follows:

Ground floor

Hall, sitting room with solid-fuel stove, kitchen/diner

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 initially via a narrow lane flanked by cottages and parked cars. The lane then becomes a level rough track for about a mile. The property is adjacent to Engine House (another National Trust holiday cottage) and another property opposite but that is set back.

Arrival & Parking Facilities

- Parking is to the side of the property
- There is an open gap in the wall to the side of the property, width 870mm with a level path leading to the front door
- There is a front gate, width 950mm with a path to the front door width 1150mm
- 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

- Front door width 730mm, threshold 40mm high, tread 90mm with raised metal weather strip
- Key box with dial combination lock to the left of the front door, height of 1400mm
- Door opens onto a hallway, 1000mm long and 950mm wide, mat

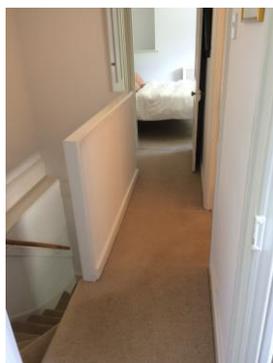
Getting around the cottage

Ground floor:

- Hall width 950mm, length 2200mm, dark flagstones, pendant light

First floor:

- Stairs are carpeted half turn angular winders with a step height of 180mm, tread 260mm width 740mm. Handrail to the right. Restrictive head height at the bottom of the stairs of 1640mm. Window to the side overlooking bank.
- Landing width 780mm reducing to 640mm at the bathroom door, leading to the main bedroom



Sitting room

- Door width 720mm by 1840mm, level threshold
- Wood effect linoleum floor
- Rug with anti-slip underlay
- Wood burner with surround fire guard
- 1 x 2 seater settee, seat height 400mm
- 2 x armchairs, seat height 520mm
- Window with views over front garden area, track and woodland
- Ceiling pendant light, 1 x floor lamp with under lampshade on/off switch
- Low sloping ceiling under the stairs where the settee is located, reduced head height



Kitchen

- Door width 730mm, height 1840mm, level threshold
- Dark flagstone floor
- Height of worktop, 920mm
- Fitted kitchen with electric double oven and ceramic hob, freestanding fridge/freezer, microwave, washer/dryer
- Sink separate twist taps with rubber washers
- 6 x sunken spotlights in the ceiling, table lamp
- Table, height 730mm, space clearance underneath 590mm
- 3 x wooden chairs, seat height 480mm, window seat, height 480mm
- Low window with views over front garden area, track and woodland
- Coat hooks, height 1640mm



Single bedroom

- Door width 690mm, height 1800mm, level threshold
- Carpet
- Single bed 900mm width, 1900mm length, 600mm height, space under bed height 300mm
- Bedside table, table lamp with under lampshade on/off switch, ceiling pendant light
- Window with views over the front track and woodland
- Built in wardrobe and chest of drawers
- Chair, seat height 450mm
- Good circulation



Bathroom

- Door width 660mm, height 1810mm, level threshold
- Linoleum floor
- Toilet, height 420mm with lever handle flush on the right
- Bath, height 540mm, grab handles, rubber mat, twist taps with rubber washers
- Pivoted shower screen, shower controls at a height of 1730mm, detachable shower head
- Sink height 800mm, twist taps with rubber washers
- Shaver socket, height 1100mm
- 2 x wall lights
- Circulation to the side of the bath 780mm, minimum circulation width sink to door 450mm
- Low window with a window seat, height 480mm, views over front track and woodland



Double bedroom

- Door opens outwards onto landing, width 700mm, height 1840mm, level threshold
- Carpet
- Double bed width 1350mm, length 1900mm, height 610mm, space under height 280mm
- 2 x side tables, bedside lamps with under lampshade on/off switches
- Ceiling pendant light
- Window with views over front track and woodland
- Chair, seat height 480mm
- Built in wardrobe, chest of drawers
- Circulation to the sides of the bed 400mm, end of bed to window 1300mm



Garden

- Access to the garden is via the front door
- Unenclosed front garden with central path and slightly raised paved areas each side
- Low stone perimeter wall with a gap to the right of the house to parking area
- Wooden picnic bench

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

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