

National Trust Cottages Accessibility Guide

Cottage details: Fountains Cottage
Brochure Ref: 020003



Introduction

The largest of three delightful cottages, which fronts onto a minor road, close to Fountains Abbey. There is use of a shared garden across the road.

The Cottage is arranged as follows:

Ground Floor:

- Kitchen, dining room, sitting room, rear lobby, utility room and shower room

First Floor:

- Bathroom, two double bedrooms and twin bedroom

Second Floor

- Twin bedroom and games room
- **From 1/6/2013 the second floor bedroom will be set up as a twin room that can be a double on request**

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 cottage is situated by a minor road and the West Gate entrance to Fountains Abbey

Arrival & Parking Facilities

- There is parking in the garage and a car park across the road

Getting in (and out) of the cottage

From the garage there is an uneven stone step up 20mm to the rear of the property. The entrance door to be used is the rear door to the kitchen. The front door on the road is not in use.



Getting around the cottage

- The cottage has carpets in most rooms and there is also tiling and cushion flooring

Rear entrance door into kitchen



- Back door opens to 800mm wide and with a 20mm threshold

Kitchen



- Height of worktop is 910mm
- Electric cooker and hob
- Fridge freezer and dishwasher
- Microwave, toaster and kettle

Door to inner hall is 750mm with a 70mm step up



Sitting Room



- The door opens to 750mm with a 3mm step down
- Two sofas and a chair at 440mm high
- Another arm chair is 460mm high
- Open fire and TV/DVD
- Coffee table 370mm high
- Standard lamp and side lights

Dining Room



- Door opens to 750mm
- Table 790mm and chairs 450mm high
- Table lights and dresser

- Hall door opens to 710mm wide and has a 30mm step up
- Door to lobby 710mm
- Coat rack and chair 440mm high

Utility room

- Door opens to 710mm
- Washing machine, tumble drier and small chest freezer

Ground Floor Shower Room



- Door opens to 710mm
- WC is 470mm with grab rail to side
- Basin 770mm high with lever taps
- Shower door is 460mm wide
- There is a step in to the shower 140mm high and a grab rail

Stairs

Thirteen steps at 20mm with hand rail to left hand side

Twin Bedroom front



- Door opens to 700mm wide
- Two single beds 660mm high
- One bedside table and two side lights
- Wardrobe and chest of drawers
- Two chairs 400mm high
- Wash hand basin 760mm high

Double Bedroom back



- Door opens to 700mm wide
- Bed is 680mm high
- One bedside table and side light
- Wardrobe and chest of drawers
- One chairs 350mm high

Double bedroom front



- Door opens to 670mm wide
- Bed is 620mm high
- Two bedside tables and two side lights
- Wardrobe and two chest of drawers
- One chair 330mm high
- Wash hand basin 780mm high

Bathroom



- Door opens to 740mm wide
- Wash hand basin is 780mm high
- WC is 450mm high
- The shower cubicle has a 170mm step in
- The bath is 540mm high and has grab handles

Stairs to second floor

- Eleven steps at 20mm with hand rail to left hand side

Second floor bedroom



- Door opens to 800mm wide
- Beds are 660mm high
- Two bedside tables and lights
- Dressing table and chest of drawers
- Two chairs 400mm high

Games room

- Door opens to 770mm wide
- Two sofas and a chair 460mm high
- TV/DVD and coffee table

Garden



- Sitting area across the road

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. 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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Access for All at the National Trust

- The Access for All office works to improve access at all National Trust cottages and properties. The office welcomes comments and ideas on improving access.

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