

National Trust Cottages Accessibility Guide

Cottage Ref: 007005

Heath End Lodge
Ashby De La Zouche
Leicestershire



Introduction

- Heath End Lodge is a detached two storey cottage which was formerly a gate to the southern entrance of Calke Abbey and Park.
- The cottage is approached from the B587.
- The Cottage is arranged as follows:

Ground Floor:

- Utility room, lobby, sitting room and dining kitchen.

First Floor:

- Two bedrooms 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 provided with booking

Arrival & Parking Facilities

- Off road parking for two cars directly outside the cottage.

Getting in (and out) of the cottage

- Small wooden threshold to entrance door, 90mm high. The door is 740mm wide.
- Uneven ground from car park area to pathway to cottage. Pea shingle gravel path and paving slabs to entrance door.
- Key safe to right hand side of the door.
- Exterior light above entrance door



Getting around the cottage

Ground floor:

- All rooms on one level.
- Floor surfaces are quarry tiles throughout with loose rug in sitting room.

First floor:

- Access to first floor via steep and narrow staircase with handrail to right-hand side. Treads are 200mm high by 200mm deep and 900mm wide.
- The door to the double bedroom leads straight onto the staircase.



First Floor Contd:

- Wooden staircase with central carpet runner.
- Floor surfaces are carpeted and ceramic floor tiles.
- Internal doors 630mm – 740mm wide on both floors.

Kitchen Diner

- Height of worktop is 920mm.
- Electric oven with ceramic hob.
- Dishwasher, microwave, fridge, cordless kettle and toaster. Combined Washer/Dryer in separate utility room.
- 3 kitchen chairs with backs but no armrests. Seat height 450mm..
- Good natural daylight. Ceiling mounted spotlights and under-cupboard strip lights.



Sitting Room

- One sofa with seat height of 430mm.
- One armchair with seat height of 470mm.
- TV, DVD and CD players.
- Good natural daylight. Central chandelier pendant and table lamps.



Single Bedroom – Single Aspect

- Firm mattress – 900mm (3') wide
- Bed height 430mm
- Pendant Light & Bedside Lamp



Double Bedroom – Dual Aspect



- Double bed with 1500mm (5') wide mattress
- Bed height 560mm
- Bedroom door leads straight onto staircase
- 2 No. Sliding Sash Windows
- Pendant Ceiling Light & 2 No. Bedside Lamps
- Bathroom – Single Aspect



- WC, basin and bath with shower over.
- The WC is 430mm high
- Tiled Floor
- 1 No. Frosted Window with single opening casement

Garden



- There is a large garden to the rear of the cottage
- Not completely secure area
- Table and four chairs

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

In addition to the standard equipment and facilities, each cottage is equipped with the following:

- Cordless kettle
- Chair with armrests in dining room and living room.
- 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)

We aim to provide these items in all cottages but please check when booking as to their availability and to check if new items have been added to the list.

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 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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