

Nuns Cottage Guest House, Richmond
North Yorkshire

Access Statement

Introduction

- Our house is situated in the Georgian market town of Richmond. We are only a short walk from the Market Place, which is the centre of town.
- The house is over 200 years old and is the result of 3 separate cottages being converted into one lovely property.
- Whilst we aim to meet the needs of all our guests there are some period features which make access difficult for people with limited mobility.
- The two guest bedrooms for the B&B are situated on the first floor.
- We also have a separate self-catering apartment available that is situated on the ground floor and is suitable for two people. It has its own entrance via Hurgill Road.

Pre-Arrival

- We are located at 5 Hurgill Road opposite the Richmond Cricket ground; the main entrance is via Nuns Close Park. We are the first stone house on the left hand side as you enter the Car Park. Please look for our B&B sign on the garden wall.
- Nearest Bus Stop is situated in the Market Place which is a 5 minute walk away,
- The nearest railway station is in Darlington, which is approximately 10 miles away. Taxis are usually available at the station exit.
- We can book local taxis for you during your stay.
- Our website www.nunscottage.co.uk provides pictures of our accommodation.
- You can contact us by telephone or e-mail or letter. Please see contact information section of this document for details.

Arrival & Car Parking

- Please advise us of your anticipated arrival time so that we can ensure that we here to welcome you.
- To ensure that your accommodation is ready we ask that guests do not normally arrive before 3.00 pm. Earlier arrival can be possible by prior arrangement.
- Parking is adjacent to the cottage in the Nuns Close Car Park, which is a Pay & display. Daily or weekly tickets are available from the Ticket Machine; coins will be required for payment.
- Access to the cottage grounds is through the black iron garden gates.
- We can assist guests with luggage if required

Main Entrance & Reception

- From the garden gates access to the Front Door is down 5 stone steps (Depth 7 inches)
- The red front door will generally be locked but please ring the bell on the RHS of the door for attention. The front door is 35 inches wide.
- On entry to the house there is a small porch with wooden seat and Boot Rack.
- There is an internal door with glass window, which then takes you directly into the Reception Hall, which is 12 feet by 12 feet.
- The floor is tiled.
- There is seating provided in the reception hall.

Guest Accommodation- Public Areas

- The cottage is L-shaped and the downstairs public rooms lead from one to the next.
- From the front door the door directly straight ahead leads into the Breakfast Room, there is a small step down to the breakfast room.
- The breakfast room then leads into the Sitting Room. Both these rooms are carpeted. There is a small step down into the sitting room.
- There are two guest bedrooms which are both situated on the First Floor (See section bedrooms for more information)
- The cottage is centrally heated throughout during the winter months.
- The whole cottage is non- smoking for your comfort and safety.

Breakfast Room & Sitting Room

- Breakfast is served in the Breakfast Room on the Ground Floor,
- Breakfast is served at a communal table.
- The Sitting Room has two sofas and an armchair.
- There is a selection of local information books and magazines in the sitting room available to read during your stay.
- There is a Wood Burner in the Sitting Room, which is lit in the winter months.
- We do not play background music in the breakfast room.

Bedrooms

- Both guest bedrooms are on the First floor and are carpeted.
- The First Floor is accessed via a carpeted staircase (30 Inches wide) with a wooden banister on the LHS. There are 14 steps (6 inches deep) to the top landing.
- Bedroom 1 is at the top of the stairs on the RHS.
- Bedroom 2 is a short distance along the landing on the LHS; access to the room is down 3-carpeted steps.
- Both bedrooms have their own private bathrooms across the landing.
- Bathrobes for use during your stay are provided and are located on the back of the bedroom door.
- Bathroom 1 has a bath with electric shower, WC and washbasin
- Bathroom 2 has an electric shower, WC and washbasin
- We provide soap, shower gel, cotton wool/cotton buds in each bathroom.

- Tea/ Coffee making facilities, bottled water, fresh fruit and sherry on arrival in each bedroom.
- We also provide a hairdryer, a selection of books, magazines and videos.
- There are spare pillows and blankets in the bottom of the wardrobe if required.
- Each bedroom has 2 two easy chairs.
- Bedroom 2 also has a Trouser Press.
- Towels are provided on a towel rack in each room.
- There is an Information Folder in each room, which contains information on the cottage and a selection of local interest leaflets.

Bedroom 1

- Bedroom 1 is at the RHS at the top of the stairs.
- This room has 2 three-foot single beds.
- There is a wardrobe, chest of drawers, bedside tables and 2 armchairs.
- There is a TV and Video recorder with selection of videos.

Bedroom 2

- Bedroom 2 is on the LHS of the stairs and is accessible via 3 steps.
- The room has a Double Bed (4 ft 6Inches) with access from both sides.
- There is a wardrobe, dressing table, bedside tables, two armchairs, TV and Video Recorder with selection of videos.

Gardens

- The gardens are surrounded by stone walls and contain flowerbeds, small pond and many assorted trees, shrubs, plants and pots.
- Guests are very welcome to enjoy our garden during the summer months.
- Access to the Garden is via the Front Door.
- Access to the top walled garden is via the Front door and then up 5 stone steps.
- Garden chairs and tables are available in the garden.
- The gardens are illuminated in the evening.

Additional Information

- The house is totally non- smoking. You may smoke in the garden only, please ask for an ashtray.
- There is a Fire Extinguisher in the entrance hall (LHS of the front door) and another one at the top of the stairs (LHS of pine cupboard on the landing)
- The building can be evacuated via the front door through the reception hall or in an emergency there is also an exit via our kitchen, which is the LHS door in the hall as you descend the stairs, this will take you outside via the conservatory into the garden and the car park area.
- The cottage is fitted with fire alarms and there are Break Glass points one in the reception hall LHS of the inner door and also one outside Room 1 at the top of the stairs
- We are happy to cater for special diets. Please let us know in advance of any requirements.
- Mobile phone reception in the cottage is generally OK but can fluctuate due to the thickness of the house walls.

Self- catering Apartment

- The apartment is situated on the ground floor of the house overlooking a small courtyard garden, which is cobbled. Private access by foot is via a short flagged pathway, which then opens out in to the cobbled courtyard complete with table and chairs for outside dining.
- The path is illuminated during the evening.
- The apartment consists of hallway, bathroom, sitting/bedroom and a galley kitchen.
- We provide bed linen and towels for your stay.
- Apartment is well furnished and includes TV/Video and DVD player, washing machine and a fully equipped kitchen
- Information folder provides information on the apartment and a selection of local tourist attraction leaflets.
- The apartment is on the level inside apart from one step up to the galley kitchen (Depth 4 inches)
- Rented by either the week or long weekends in the low season.
- Please contact Judith Flint with any questions re the apartment.

Contact Information

- Address- Nuns Cottage, 5 Hurgill Road, Richmond, North Yorkshire DL10 4AR.
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- We are open all year except Christmas and January.