

This access statement does not contain personal opinions as to our suitability for those with access needs, but aims to accurately describe the facilities and services that we offer all our guests/visitors.

Access Statement for Sentry Cottage

Introduction

Sentry Cottage is a 2 minute walk from the centre of Alnwick and just a 15 minute drive from the Northumbrian coast. The roads and footpaths are flat and there are no hills to get into town. The property is situated on the B6346, which is the main road into and out of the town.

The character cottage is on two floors, it has a quirky character, and is fully modernised. The cottage is accessed via 2 steps up. There are no handrails to the outdoor steps.

There are three bedroom's. Bedroom 1 has a superking size bed, bedroom 2 and 3 both have a single bed.

Pre-Arrival

- The nearest railway station is Alnmouth. It is 3.6 miles from the station to the property. It's direct services run to many cities across the UK. These include Glasgow, Edinburgh, Newcastle, York, London and Portsmouth.
- Accessible taxi services do run from the station. For example: Knights Taxis, Alnmouth (01665) 714555. All taxis will need to be prebooked.
- Arriva runs the majority of buses. There is a bus stop with hourly services to Alnwick. This bus stop is on Curly Lane a four-minute walk from the Northbound Platform of Alnmouth train station. The bus journey into Alnwick takes ten minutes. There is a bus stop 100 metres from the apartment. The route number is X18. The alighting stop is directly outside the cottage.
- There are level public footpaths in the immediate area of the apartment. The road immediately outside of the property is the main road into and out of Alnwick and is therefore busy at certain times of day. Alnwick itself is a historic town and although the footpaths are paved many of the road surfaces are cobbled.
- There is a 'Welcome Pack' at the property about RADAR toilets.
- Sainsbury's, Tesco and Asda all deliver groceries in the area. Iceland also does a 'shop and drop' service.
- This Access Statement and our apartment brochure are also available as large print.

Key Collection, Welcome and Car Parking

- Someone will meet you at the property with the keys.
- There is always somebody available to welcome guests. A familiarisation tour of the property will then be offered.
- There is space for one vehicle, at the front of the house. This is up a 3"curb. Directly across the road is free, unreserved parking for three vehicles.
- The main town car parks are free and are 100m from the cottage, though some need a parking disc and may be time limited. There is plenty of street lighting.
- In addition Alnwick now offers free parking in the town though some of it requires a disc available from the Tourist Information Office. This requirement is clearly displayed.
- You can plan your journey by car or public transport using www.transportdirect.info; simply enter your postcode and ours, which is NE661PR to get directions.

Entrance to Property

- There are two steps up from the public footpath into the cottage. There is no handrail. There are no ramps.
- The clear door opening width into the entrance hall is 38 inches (960mm).
- The entrance hall is well lit. The surface of the floor is quarry tiles.

Halls, Stairs, Landings, Passageways

- The stairs are standard, there is a half turn towards the top of the staircase. There is a yellow strip to denote the staircase at the top of the stairs. There are handrails on both sides.

Kitchen- Ground Floor

- There is a step into it and head height through the doorway is limited at 5'9". The room is a normal height through the doorway.
- The oven is at floor level and has a drop down opening door. The height of the kitchen surface and hob are 36 inches (910mm) the height of the microwave is 38 inches (960mm)
- The wall units are at a height of 58 inches (1470mm)
- The height of the cupboards containing crockery and glasses is 58 inches (1470mm).
- The tap is a single mixer lever tap.
- The kettle revolves 360 degrees.

- The kitchen is lit by a halogen ceiling light and also by halogen lighting on the extractor hood.
- The floor surface is lino.
- The dining table seats 4, chairs are upright and without arms.

Lounge- Ground Floor

- The sitting room is on the ground floor.
- The flooring is oak. There is also a large wool rug covering a large amount of the floor surface. There is a two-seater sofa and an armchair. There is a coffee table. There are large spaces between furniture. The Digital TV is to the right of the fireplace on which subtitled programs may be found.
- The area is well lit. There is a floor lamp near to the sofa and also a further lamp near to the TV.

W.C with sink-Ground Floor

For guest's convenience there is a toilet available on the ground floor.

Utility/Kit Bag's Room- Ground Floor

- At the end of the entrance hall, there is a washing machine and additional storage space for kit bag's, golf club's etc.

Garden

- Access through the Utility Room leads into a small, sheltered garden to the rear of the property. There is garden furniture. Bedroom's 1,2 and 3- 1st Floor
- The superking sized bed can be accessed both sides.
- The space next to the side of the single bed is approximately 24 inches (610mm)
- There are bedside lights.
- There are sash window in both bedroom's.
- There is a wardrobe in Bedroom 1 & 3. There is a hanging rail in Bedroom 2.
- All bed sheets and pillowcases are 100% cotton.

Shower-room and Toilet- 1st Floor

- The shower and second toilet are separate, with washbasin's in each.
- The shower enclosure has a step into it of 8 inches (200mm).
- The toilet is 16 inches (400mm) high.
- The washbasin is 34 inches (860mm) high.
- The flooring is lino & there are halogen spotlights.

Additional Information

- The nearest hospital and doctors is 500m away and the nearest A&E department is in Cramlington 31 miles away.

Contact Information

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Local Accessible Taxi: Knights Taxis, Alnmouth 01665
714555

Local Public Transport: Arriva x18 does a service from Berwick
to Newcastle which includes Alnwick

Travelsure also runs more local bus
services.

Information and timetables are
available in the apartment.

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