

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 The Bield Thornton Rust**

### **Introduction**

We extend a warm welcome to our visitors at The Bield. The property, which is a traditional stone detached cottage with a lovely sunny south facing garden. The cottage is located in a beautiful quiet village of Thornton Rust.

There are shops and pubs within a five minute/2 mile drive in both Askrigg and Aysgarth. There is a regular bus service through the village (time table in cottage information).

The Bield sleeps six, king, double and twin bedrooms and bathroom are all reached via a wooden staircase in the dining room (also a toilet downstairs), central heating and a multi fuel stove.

We welcome assistance dogs and two well behaved pet dogs. Please do not allow the dogs upstairs or on the furniture. Please clean up after your dogs.

We look forward to welcoming you. If you have any queries or require any assistance please phone 01969 663559 or email [info@countryhideaways.co.uk](mailto:info@countryhideaways.co.uk)

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### **Pre-Arrival**

- Bookings and enquires can be made directly from the website [www.countryhideaways.co.uk](http://www.countryhideaways.co.uk) or telephone 01969 663559
- Directions and full information will be supplied by Country Hideaways prior to your holiday.

- The nearest mainline railway stations are Northallerton (East) and Garsdale Head (West).
- A regular bus service runs through the village (time table available in the information at cottage). The nearest bus stop is approximately 300 yards from the cottage.
- It is possible to have a welcome hamper delivered - this can be arranged via Country Hideaways.
- Also possible to have shop and drop deliveries from major super markets.

### **Key Collection, Welcome and Car Parking**

- Key collection details will be supplied by Country Hideaways shortly before your arrival date.
- Parking is available on the paved area in front of the car for one car, plenty of on street parking for any further cars.
- There is an outside light to the front of the house.
- The front garden is flag stone paved flat.

### **Entrance to Property**

- The front porch is entered over a step which is 50mm (2") high.
- The porch is well lit with a ceiling light, the floor is tiled with door mats.
- There is a second small step which is 70mm (27")
- The porch door is 710mm (28") wide
- The door into the lounge is 760mm (30") wide

### **Halls, Stairs, Landings, Passageways**

- The stairs are wooden rising from the dining room, there are 10 steps, the area is well lit with white walls and wall lights.
- There is a wooden banister and a hand rail at the top of the stairs

- There are a further two steps on the landing leading to the king and double rooms, there is a hand rail.
- The landing area is carpeted and has white walls.
- The area is well lit with wall lights.
- Radiator on landing.

### Sitting Room/Lounge

- The Sitting Room/Lounge is entered from the porch it has wood effect flooring and a large mat in front of the multi fuel stove.
- It is a large spacious room with two fabric three seater sofas (one a bed sofa) and a small arm chair. A matching foot rest, and two coffee tables.
- A large book case with an excellent selection of books, DVDs and information about the local area.
- A wide screen digital TV with DVD player remote control and subtitles, Wii games console with selection of games
- The room has three windows with lots of natural light. For cosy evenings there are wall lights, lamps and a standard lamp.
- Two radiators.

### Dining Room

- The dining room is situated through a stable door measuring 700mm wide (27.5"), down a step from the lounge which measures 180mm (7"), there is a hand rail.
- Wood effect flooring, white walls
- An oval extending wooden dining table with pine chairs without arms. The table can be moved, there is free space around the table.
- This is a spacious light room with two windows, wall lights, lamps and a standard lamp.
- A sideboard for storage.

- The stairs are situated in the dining room.
- Radiator.

### Kitchen

- The Kitchen is entered through the dining room the door measures 685mm (27") and open inwards to the dining room.
- The step down into the kitchen is 125mm (5") there are hand rails on either side.
- Quay tiled floor through kitchen and utility room.
- There is a modern electric hob.
- The electric oven is chest height and the door opens downwards.
- The fridge is raised and integrated.
- All crockery, sauce pan and kitchen equipment is stored in cupboards under the worktop (there are no over the counter cupboards in the kitchen.)
- There is a mixer tap with levers over the sink.
- A cordless kettle.
- There is a wide range of equipment including grill, sandwich toaster, slow cooker, coffee machine.
- There is plenty of work surface area and a corner cupboard for storage of your food items etc.
- The kitchen has two windows is light and airy. There are ceiling spot lights and over the hob is an extractor fan with light.
- The central heating boiler is situated under the counter just inside the kitchen.

### Utility Room

- The utility room is accessed from the kitchen door opens inwards is 660mm (26") wide with 60mm (2.5") lip
- The utility room has quay tiles with under floor heating.
- The utility room is has a large window and the back door.

- There is a large store cupboard with ironing board, hoover, high chair, clothes airer etc
- There is a dishwasher and washing machine (clothes dry well with under floor heating)
- There is more work surface and cupboards
- Also a further sink

#### **Down Stairs Cloak Room**

- Is situated the end of the utility room with door opening towards you 740mm (29") wide
- The toilet is 405mm (16") high.
- The back door, opening inwards, 750mm (29.5") with a lip measuring 80mm (3") taking you to the back yard.
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### **Bedrooms and Sleeping Areas**

- The three bedrooms are all upstairs
- **King Size** bedroom situated at the front of the house
- The door opens inwards 685mm (27")
- King size crystal bed (610MM 24"high) with bed side cabinets and a chair, which can all be moved.
- One wall has large fitted wardrobes with hanging space and shelves.
- Two windows to the front of the property make this room light and bright (we do have black out blinds)
- Ceiling light and bedside lamps.
- Short pile quality carpet
- Radiator.
- **Double Bedroom**
- Door opens inwards 685mm (27")
- Double bed (560mm 22" high) with King size quilt for your comfort.
- Bedside tables, chest of drawers and a chair. Not able to move furniture due to size of room.
- Short pile quality carpet.

- Window to side of house, ceiling lighting and bedside lamps.
- Fitted wardrobe with hanging space.
- Radiator.

#### **Twin Bedroom**

- Two twin beds (560mm 22" high) with double quilts for your comfort.
- Light bright room with two windows, ceiling light and bedside lamps.
- Bedside cabinets with drawers.
- Corner cabinet with flat screen TV with DVD.
- Storage box with good assortment of games, puzzles and toys for younger guests.
- Short pile quality carpet, white walls.
- Fitted wardrobe with hanging and storage space.
- Radiator.

#### **Bathrooms, Shower-rooms and Toilets**

- The bathroom is upstairs at the end of the hall way. (Also downstairs toilet).
- Door opens inwards 690 mm (27").
- Level floor with quality vinyl.
- Bath 550mm (21.5") high.
- Shower over the bath with screen.
- Lever style bath/shower taps.
- Well lit with window to rear (with amazing view), ceiling light, shaver point with light.
- Toilet 420mm (16.5") high.
- Tiled wall around shower, sink and toilet area.
- Large airing cupboard.
- Travel cot stored in airing cupboard.

## Garden

**Front Garden** is a south facing sunny secure garden.

- Level flag stones patio area with cast iron garden furniture and parasol.
- Stone walls to each side and well stocked flower borders making it a pleasant place to sit and enjoy coffee, afternoon tea or a glass of wine in the evenings.

**Rear Yard** small paved area with log/coal/bin store.

- Small clothes line.
- Access to green lane and side of house via two steps 160mm (6.5") and 110mm (4.5").
- Gate 760mm (30") wide.
- Storage area for bikes.
- Flower bed in the wall.

## Additional Information

- We welcome Assistance Dogs and pet dogs but request that they are kept downstairs, off the furniture and not left alone in the house. Please clean up after you dogs bags provided. Both gardens are secure but the walls are not very high. Dog bowls are provided.
- Mobile phone reception in the area is reasonable - check with your provider. We have found best place to leave phone is on front window ledge.
- Free Wifi is provided.
- Cot, high chair, and stair gate are all provided.
- There is good colour contract between walls and flooring all rooms.
- The nearest DOCTORS is in Hawes - The Dales Central Practice 01969 667200 or 10969 663222.
- HOSPITAL- The Friarage Hospital Northallerton 01969 779911
- VETS - is Bainbridge 01969 650263 (we have used them in middle of the night emergency excellent service).

- The Bield is strictly non smoking.
- There is are two box folders full of information about the local area, walking guilds and tourist information leaflets.
- If you require any further information please do not hesitate to contact us.
- Please see website for all photographs.

### Future Plans

- To continue to maintain and improve facilities at the cottage.
- To act on feedback from our customers.

### Contact Information

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Local Public Transport:	Regular bus service through village. Nearest bus stop 300 yards from cottage.

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