

## Access statement for Hornton Grounds Country House

### Introduction

Hornton Grounds is a country house set in rolling Cotswold countryside on a 200 acre working farm with cereals and livestock and a small livery yard. We offer comfortable overnight accommodation in our lovely old house found nestling in a copse of trees at the end of a quiet drive our near neighbours are only wildlife.

Hornton Grounds is a beautiful grade II listed house with a number of historic features which might make access difficult for people with limited mobility. The house is not suitable for wheelchair users.

### Pre-arrival

- . We are located at the end of a long drive just off the A422, Stratford upon Avon to Banbury road.
- . There is no bus service.
- . The nearest railway station is 6 miles away in Banbury
- . Taxis can easily be booked for you.

### Arrival and Car Parking facilities

- . It is only possible to accept guests who have booked in advance and we ask you to advise us of your anticipated arrival time tel. 01295 678318
- . We ask guests not to arrive before 4.00 p.m. unless by prior arrangement.
- . We have a comprehensive website but do contact us via phone, fax or email for any details.
- . On arrival at Hornton Grounds turn right after the tennis court and drive towards the front of the house.
- . We have plenty of parking on a level gravelled area in front of the house.
- . There is ample room for all cars but no particular marked parking bays.

. We can assist guests with their luggage if required.

## **Main Entrance**

- . The Front door is usually locked but please ring the bell on arrival.
- . There are 3 steps into the porch leading into the hall

## **Public Areas**

- . Directly off from the hall is the guests lounge with French windows leading to the patio with three steps down.
- . There is a downstairs toilet with two steps up from the hall
- . The breakfast room can be accessed from the rear of the hall
- . The reading room is accessed from the breakfast room.
- . Leading off from the hallway is carpeted staircase with 14 steps.
- . From the landing there are 7 steps to the galleried landing and access to Jade View.

## **Jade View**

Jade View is a rather large double bedroom which is carpeted and has thermostatically controlled central heating and two large windows overlooking the grounds. The bed is a super king-size bed. The ensuite bathroom features a power shower bath, toilet and pedestal washbasin with shaver point and heated towel rail and luxurious fitted carpets. This room can be linked to the West Wing.

## **West Wing**

Leading from the rear of the landing to the West Wing are 5 steps, a further single step leads to the separate toilet. 2 further steps lead onto the landing to the large bathroom which features an original large cast iron roll top bath and basin. The original fireplace is still insitu. The bathroom is carpeted and has a heated towel rail and shaver point.

The West Wing bedroom also has an original fireplace and a king-size bed over looking the front garden.

Jade View can be linked to the West Wing from the landing.

### **Oriental Room**

The entrance to the Oriental Room is from the main landing. It features an original marble fireplace and a double bed with two windows overlooking the walled garden. The private shower room is further along the landing.

### **Courtyard Room**

This twin bedded room is in the oldest part of the house and has a characterful sloping floor. The wardrobes are built in. This room lends itself for family use when booked in conjunction with the Oriental Room.

### **Shower Room**

The shower room has a heated towel rail, shower cubicle, toilet and pedestal basin with shaver point.

### **Grounds**

Visitors are welcome to walk around the gardens which have a few steps in some of the features and there are steps down to the tennis court. There is a relatively level walk down the avenue into the woodland. There is a self guided walk through undulating fields to the young woodland and the lake and the pond.

The D'arcy Dalton Way meanders through the farm and drops down quite steeply into the village of Hornton near the Dun Cow pub. A public footpath from Hornton comes through a small section of the farm and heads off towards the New Inn and Shennington with Alkerton village and Upton.