

## Access Statement for

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Our aim is that you, our guest, have a really comfortable, relaxing and enjoyable time here at The Old Rectory. This statement aims to provide the practical details that you may need in order to get the most out of your stay.

We have two rooms for guests: A King Size double on the first floor and a large twin/Superking Size double on the second floor (an additional third bed can be set up in this room). Each room has its own private bathroom.

We regret that there are no bedrooms and bathrooms on the ground floor.

### Pre-Arrival

Coulston is a small village situated off the main road (B3098) between Erlestoke and Edington just north of the Salisbury Plain. The area is rural and some form of independent transport is recommended for guests who are wanting to visit the many attractions in the area. However, if you are here to cycle and walk, you will be right on the doorstep to the most beautiful countryside.

Once you have booked, you will receive a Booking Confirmation, Terms and Conditions and Directions. We recommend you print out these directions and bring them along as SatNav systems to our postal code (BA13 4NY) will bring you to the village but **not** to the right house in it!

The nearest station is Westbury which is 19 minutes away by car. If needed, we can advise with booking of train tickets.

Buses are not readily available and do not deliver near The Old Rectory. We are happy to arrange pickups and drop offs from Westbury Station. We can also arrange transport from and to Bristol, Heathrow and Gatwick airports. If you are a walker or cyclist passing by, we can arrange for you to be picked up at the end of the day and taken to your starting point the following day. Please enquire at time of booking, as there will be a charge for this depending on distance.

Local taxi firm Axe Taxis can be contacted directly on +44 (0)1380 729 629.

### Arrival & Car Parking Facilities

The Old Rectory is situated on the right hand side of the church path behind a white metal gate which we keep closed as our friendly Border Terrier Teddy loves being in the garden. We would be grateful if you would be kind enough to close the gate behind you when you arrive to keep him in. Follow the gravel path up to the house and park in front of the house facing the yew hedge. There is room for four cars.

The drive is gravel and of flat construction with no steps. A light will be on in the porch if you arrive after dark. Please ring the doorbell in the porch when you arrive if we are not there already to greet you. We can provide assistance with luggage if required.

## **Main entrance**

From the parking area there is a 7inch/18cm high step up to the covered porch entrance which opening is 45 inch/115cm wide. The porch is tiled with Victorian tiles and a bit uneven in places. The porch is well lit and has a small bench (15 inches/39cm high). There is room for boots and shoes under the bench. Another step 6.5 inches/16cm/high takes you into the hall through the 39inches/100cm wide front door.

## **Hall**

The hall has a wooden box and a hall table. Space between these two pieces of furniture is 130cm/51inches. The hall has oak flooring and a rug. It is well lit. There is ample space for luggage. From the hall there is access to the dining room and the sitting room and to the floors above.

## **Registration**

Registration takes place in the dining room. Afterwards you will be shown to your room and the facilities will be explained. Please tell us straightaway during your stay if there is something you are not sure about, if you have a challenge or if something is not working - we want to make sure we can help without delay and make your stay is a really happy one.

## **Dining room and breakfast patio**

The dining room is accessed from the hall through a door with opening of 32inches/80cm. There is no doorstep. The dining room is large and is well lit with a chandelier, wall lights and a table lamp. There is oak flooring. The large table has under space of 28.5inches/72cm at its highest. Chairs are 18.5 inches/47 cm high and can be moved at request.

The patio can be accessed from the dining room through the 57inch/145cm wide French doors over a 2inch/5cm high door step and two further steps 7 and 8 inches/18 and 20cm high). Alternatively can the patio be accessed from the parking area (no steps).

Breakfasts are served in the dining room or on the patio as requested.

Please let us know at the time of booking if you have any dietary requirements so that we can ensure that these can be catered for.

Helle holds a food hygiene certificate and the kitchen has been approved by the local authorities.

The use of the dining room for meetings (can sit a maximum of 14 people) is available upon request for a small charge, please enquire at the time of booking.

## **Sitting room**

The Sitting room is on the right from the hallway and is accessed through a 33.5inch/85cm wide door. There is no doorstep. The flooring is oak covered with rugs. There are two sofas and three easy chairs of varying height from 16-16inches/36-40cm. The sitting room is well lit with a chandelier, a standard lamp, picture lights and 3 table lamps.

## **Public Areas - Internal**

The staircase leading to the first floor is wooden without a runner. It is 35 inches/89 cm wide and has a 30 inches/76 cm high hand rail all the way up. There are 12 + 3 steps (divided by a small mid-floor landing) to the first floor, each step is 7inches/18 cm high. At the top of the stairs there is a small easy chair (15.5inches/40 cm high) where the landing

(104cm wide) turns 90 degrees to the left and immediately after takes another 90degree left turn (coming back on itself) and opens up to be 110 cm wide.

## **Bedrooms and Bathrooms**

### **Green Bedroom/bathroom**

The Green Bedroom is accessed from the first floor landing through two doors 88cm/34.5 inches and 32inches/82cm wide). The room has a large window facing west and overlooks the garden. It is well lit with a chandelier and 3 table lamps. The floor is pine with rugs. There is a kingsize double bed (22 inches/56cm high) with linen headboard. The bed can be accessed from both sides. There is also two bedside tables, one of them doubling up as a dressing table with a mirror and a stool, bedside lamps, a large built in wardrobe with hanging space with wooden hangers and shelves, a wall mirror, a large mahogany linen press, 2 easy chairs (18inches/46cm high), a suitcase/bag stand and a table with an under space of 2 feet/61cm. The full length curtains are thick and screen off light.

The Green Bedroom has its own private bathroom which is accessed from the landing through a 30 inch wide door. The space narrows down to 20 inches width further into the bathroom which is L-shaped. There is a bathtub (21 inches/53 cm high) with shower, toilet, basin, a small shaving mirror and a full size wall mirror, a clothes hook on the door, a heated towel rail (please be aware as the towel rail can be very hot) and a box stool (18 inches/46cm high) which holds an non slip mat for the bath should you want one. The bathroom is well lit with halogen spots in the ceiling. The floor is tiled with natural stone tiles. Toilet height 16.5 inches/42cm and sink 32.5 inches/83cm high.

The switch for the ventilator fan for the bathroom is outside the door next to the light switch.

There is a secure five lever lock on both the bed and bathroom doors with one key fitting both locks.

At night a nightlight will be lit on the landing.

### **Red bedroom/bathroom**

The Red Bedroom is on the second and own private floor with a private bathroom. There is a secure five lever lock on the door at the foot of the stairs. The second floor is accessed from the first floor landing through a door (?x?) to the stairs (16 steps, each 7 inches/17cm and steeper than the steps on the main staircase. A handrail (27-30 inches high) goes all the way up. The lowest point of the stairwell is a beam at the 3rd step where the staircase takes a 90 degree turn to the left. Under the beam the head height is 5 foot 6/167cm high so tall people need to mind their heads. The staircase is 34 inches/86cm wide at the narrowest and has a fitted, short pile carpet.

The stairwell and landing is well lit with a roof window and 4 wall lamps.

Immediately at the the top step of the stairs to the right is the bathroom which is accessed through a 23inches/59cm wide and 6 foot/82 cm high door. The bathroom which has sloping ceilings and a dormer window overlooking the garden is 6 foot 6 high in the space around bath, toilet and basin, slightly higher at the entrance. The bathroom has a bath with shower, (15 inches/38cm high, a toilet 17 inches/43 cm high, a small basin 32.5inches/83 cm high, a wooden rail for towels and a metal towel rack and a clothes hook on the door. A non slip bathmat can be found in a little cupboard if required. The floor is tiled with ceramic tiles. There is a small mirror over the basin and a full size mirror on the entrance wall.

The bathroom is well lit with halogen spots in the ceiling and lamps either side of the basin mirror.

The switch for the ventilator fan for the bathroom is outside the door next to the light switch.

As the top step of the stairs is directly by the bathroom entrance, a stair gate is mounted across the landing and can be used for your convenience.

A night light will be lit on the landing.

The red bedroom is at the end of the landing (38 inches/97cm wide and 6 foot 11 inches/210cm high) after a left turn.

It is accessed through a 25.5 inch/65cm wide and 6 foot/182cm high door and opens up to a ceiling height of 266cm at its highest. The room is large and light with a dormer window overlooking the garden and a roof window. It has ample ceiling height despite having sloping ceilings. The room has a fitted, short pile carpet. The room is lit with 4 table lamps. The room has two large zip-and-link single divan beds (6'x6.6' and 26 inches/66cm high) which can be zipped together to form a super king size double. There is access to both sides of the bed if the room is set up as a double. If set up as a twin, one bed will only have access from one side as the space on the other side is under the sloping ceiling. There are built-in wardrobes with shelves and hanging space with wooden hangers, two bedside tables with drawers and table lamps, a dressing table (under height 2 feet/61cm) with mirror and chair (18 inches/54cm high), a small easy chair (16 inches/41cm high). Curtains have a blackout lining and the roof light has blackout blind. An extra bed can be set up in this room or alternatively in a small room next door.

In both bedrooms we have micro fibre duvets and pillows and cotton bedlinen. Extra blankets are available upon request. The rooms are warm with central heating but we are happy to provide hot water bottles if you like. Each bedroom is Wi-Fi enabled, the code is available on request and there are plenty of electric points. In each bedroom you will find a flatscreen TV, a hairdryer, a plug for use to recharge electric shavers and toothbrushes, dressing gowns and reading material, hospitality tray with tea, coffee and cocoa making facilities including fresh milk in thermos and home baked biscuits. Drinking water is provided as the water supply to the bathroom is softened. We refill during the day, please let us know if you are running low. A guest information folder is also provided in each room containing general information and details of local amenities together with the Fire and Emergency plan.

In the bathrooms you will find large bath sheets, towels, facecloths and quality toiletries.

### **The garden**

The garden is just under 2 acres and surrounds the property with hedges and a reasonably dog-safe fence all around it. There is a number of mature trees amongst them London plane, oak, beech and yew. To the eastern side of the house (at the entrance) there is a spring fed water feature with fountain and goldfish and a wooden bench under an age old yew. Opposite the front of the house at the end of a short gravel path is a small seating area under an arch covered with honeysuckle. The garden is mainly laid out to lawns which at the front of the house are even and at the back sloping. Wisterias and old fashioned David Austen roses climb the walls.

On the western side of the house is a large stone patio lined with lavender. The patio can be accessed from the front of the house or (via two steps) from the dining room. The patio has two seating areas with teak tables and chairs (one of them with a large parasol) where visitors are welcome to sit. Breakfasts can be served on the patio weather permitting.

From the patio 6 steps leads down to the western side of the garden.

**Public WCs**

The only WC's are the ones belonging to the the guest bedrooms although owner's downstairs WC can be used in an emergency.

If you have any further questions please do not hesitate to contact us, we will make every effort to help.

Very best wishes  
Helle de Chazal