

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, so that you can make up your own mind whether it is suitable for your holiday.

Access Statement for The Holt

INTRODUCTION

The Holt is a newly refurbished hillside house at the top of the Burway Road.

The Holt sleeps up to 6 adults its 3 bedrooms, with some additional beds for small children. It also has a double sofa bed on the ground floor for guests who find stairs difficult. There is also a downstairs shower room.

GETTING HERE

The nearest bus stop is on Beaumont Road, down in the town, which is half a mile away. The 435 bus from Shrewsbury to Ludlow stops there.

The nearest train station is Church Stretton station which is off Central Avenue, 0.5 miles away.

To get from the bus stop or train station to The Holt requires a steep uphill walk. If you wish to arrive and leave by train or bus we can recommend a local taxi firm. We may possibly be able to collect you on arrival day, please enquire.

The Holt is the last house on the road before reaching the National Park. It is a maintained road and is usually gritted in bad weather, so driving to the house is generally fine, you may wish to check your tyres are suitable in very bad weather as the hill is steep. Occasionally the road closes in very icy weather, please check weather forecasts or ask us for information before setting off.

The house has a large drive fitting several cars at once.

PROVISIONS

The nearest Shopmobility in Shrewsbury (14 miles) - The Raven Meadows Multi Storey Car Park, Raven Meadows, Shrewsbury, SY1 1PL. Tel: 01743 236900 Email: shopmobshrews@freeuk.com

There are plenty of shops for food and drink in Church Stretton town.

The Co-operative supermarket in the town operates a delivery service where you shop in person as normal but then your shopping is delivered to you later in the day at an agreed time slot.

Sainsbury's in Shrewsbury deliver to the Holt, and you can order online. If you wish to have a delivery sent to us before your arrival, we can accept the delivery during changeover (10am and 3pm on the day of your arrival) and put away chilled and frozen products for you. Please enquire if you wish to use this service.

Several restaurants in Church Stretton offer free and small fee delivery services to The Holt. Menus for these restaurants are included in the guest information folder in the house. The phone in the house is incoming and emergency calls only, so you will need access to a mobile phone to order food.

ARRIVING

The owner will leave keys in the key safe and provide a code to get them out. Written welcome instructions are left out with your welcome pack for guests, including fire instructions. You will also be sent a link to a special guest web page before your visit, with videos showing you how to get around the house and where things are.

THE DRIVE & ENTRANCE

The house has a large drive fitting several cars at once. The drive has a slope. It is possible to park on vehicle next to the steps up to the house.

There are 5 steps, each about 55cm deep and 90cm wide, leading from the drive to the path to the house. There is a handrail alongside these steps, but we do not have a ramp for them. Once up the steps, there is a sloping but even paved path to the front door.



There is a large wide step to the porch and another step into the house. There is a wooden ramp available which can be fitted to these two steps (but not to the steps lower down)

The path between the drive and the front and back doors is lit by a security light on a sensor. The front door is 80cm wide.

FLOORING

The hall and living room have even hardwood floors.

The kitchen floor is ceramic tiles, and the downstairs shower room has a ceramic tiled floor.

The stairs, landing and all bedrooms are carpeted.

LIVING ROOM

The living room is situated on the ground floor with level entry from the hallway.

The door opening to the lounge is 70cm wide at its narrowest point.

The room has a mixture of seating with a corner sofa (seat height 40cm), two slightly reclining chairs with arms (seat height 40cm) and dining chairs with padded seats (seat height 45cm) around the large table.

There is a widescreen smart television with remote control, subtitles, and a DVD player.

Lighting is natural daylight and by night levels are controlled by dimmer switches, with overhead lighting used as well as standard lamps and a table lamp.

There is a door to the terrace directly from the living room. Door width 83cm.

KITCHEN

The kitchen is situated on the ground floor with step free, level access from the hallway.

The door opening to the kitchen from the hallway is 72cm wide at its narrowest point.

Worktop, hob and sink are 92cm above the floor. Fridge and freezer are under-counter models.

A table and chairs are provided – 64cm from floor to lowest point of table, and 4 upright chairs (plus folding spares) with no arms or cushions, seat height 45cm.

Glasses and crockery can be moved from wall cupboards to lower cupboards, if required, please request this when booking.

The kitchen is evenly lit with positionable spotlights in three positions.

The kitchen has double French doors on to the terrace – maximum door width 165cm.

BEDROOMS

There are three bedrooms:

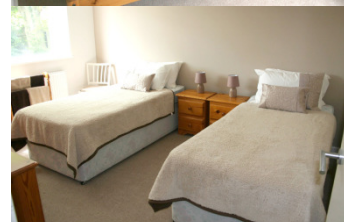
Bedroom 1 – Family Room – has a kingsize bed, plus a single day bed, a pull out bed underneath and space for a travel cot. One travel cot is provided on request. Height of the kingsize bed from top of mattress to the floor is 55cm and for the day bed the height is 50cm.

This bedroom has a small ensuite shower room. The ensuite measures 80cm wide at narrowest point, and the door opening is 60cm wide.

Lighting is natural daylight and at night overhead lighting and bedside lamps are available.

Bedroom 2 – Kingsize Room – has a kingsize bed, the height of which (from top of mattress to the floor) is 53cm. Lighting is natural daylight and at night overhead lighting and bedside lamps are available. An additional Zbed can be arranged if needed.

Bedroom 3 – Twin / Superking Room – has two single beds which can be converted to a superking (please ask of you want a superking on booking). The height of the beds from top of mattress to the floor is 58cm. Lighting is natural daylight and at night overhead lighting and bedside lamps are available.



SOFA BED IN LIVING ROOM

We provide a sofa bed in the living room. The sofa bed is easy to put out and full instructions are given on welcome and in the guest information folder. All bedding is provided and stored inside the sofa. The sleeping area of the bed is a small double – 207cm by 135cm. The height of the bed from the top of the mattress to the floor is 40cm. Guests using the sofa bed to sleep can use the downstairs shower room, and there is shelving in that bathroom to store their towels.



There are fire escape instructions given on the living room door and an emergency key for the terrace door on a hook next to the exit, so that guests who are less mobile can exit on to the terrace to wait for assistance if exit via the hallway is not possible.

BATHROOMS, SHOWER-ROOMS AND TOILETS

Ground Floor Shower Room - The door opening is 71cm wide. There is no step between the hall and shower room, only a dividing strip. The shower is a large walk in shower with a small lip between the room and the cubicle. Well lit with overhead LED light and a fluorescent light over mirror.



Main Bathroom – door opening is 71cm wide at its narrowest point with no steps. There is a bath with shower over and a glass shower screen.

Ensuite Bathroom – door opening is 60cm wide, with no steps. There is a shower cubicle, toilet and sink. The ensuite is 60cm wide at its narrowest point.

UTILITY / BOOT ROOM

The utility room is accessed via one step down from the kitchen, from a small connecting hall, 89cm by 100cm. You can also reach it from the outside of the house using three steps. The door opening from the kitchen is 74cm wide, and from the drive is 76cm. It has a sink, standard size washing machine and drier. Both are front loading.

TERRACE AND GARDENS

We have a roof terrace which can be accessed from the kitchen via double French doors and the living room via a single French door. Metal table & chairs and a BBQ are provided. A low fence surrounds the terrace.

The garden is mostly laid to grass with flower beds. The garden is set into the hill and as such is sloping in all parts. There is a wire fence around the perimeter of the garden, however this is a low fence to maintain the wild look and feel, and can be climbed by children or jumped by a dog. Supervision is therefore needed in the garden.

Additional Information

Assistance dogs are welcome and a dog bed and bowls can be provided

The mobile phone reception is generally good on most networks.

The nearest General Hospital with an A&E unit and walk in NHS is in Shrewsbury (14 miles away and the nearest Doctor's surgery is 0.5 miles away. Information on all emergency contacts are given in the guest information folder.

