

Access Statement for Fox Lodge, Wirksworth

Introduction

Fox Lodge is a two-storey end terraced Victorian property built in 1878.

Pre-Arrival

- We have a website with full descriptions and photographs of the rooms. Availability can be checked via the website.
- Bookings/enquiries can be made directly from our website by email, or via phone or mail, or via www.visitpeakdistrict.com
- We accept payment by cheque or we can accept payment by credit/debit card through Paypal invoicing. We do not have the facilities to accept payment directly by credit/debit card.
- Guests are provided with written directions to the cottage, usually by post or by email if booking is at very short notice.
- The nearest bus stop is approximately 30 meters away and the hourly bus service between Derby and Bakewell runs buggy friendly buses.
- The nearest train station is Matlock Bath, 3.5 miles away, and the hourly bus service to Wirksworth picks up outside the station.
- Local public transport numbers:
 - Bus: 0870 608 2608; www.trentbarton.co.uk;
 - Train: 0845 748 49 50; www.nationalrail.co.uk;
 - Taxis: DeeJay Taxis 01629 822072
Martins Taxis 01629 826787
John's Taxis 01629 822550
Fox Taxis 01629 583333

Arrival & Car Parking Facilities

- Fox Lodge is situated next to a free public car park, mostly used by local residents.

Main Entrance

- The entrance to Fox Lodge is approached via the pavement which is level, tarmacked and currently in good condition. Entrance is through a wrought iron gate which is continuous with pavement level and proceeds along a block paved path with a slight incline, to the front door. There is an 8" (20cm) step up over the threshold. The wooden front door 32"

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(81cm) wide, is hinged on the right opening inwards and is fitted with a door handle and mortice lock 42" (107cm) from ground level.

- Fox Lodge can also be accessed through the kitchen via the back yard. The yard is approached by a level tarmacked path from the pavement leading to a tall wrought iron gate 29" (74cm) wide, hinged on the right, opening inwards and caught with a sliding latch at waist level. Inside the yard which is completely enclosed by stone walls and secure when the gate is closed, a paved path leads to 3 steps up to the back door. The first 2 steps are 6" (15cm) high, 18" (46cm) tread; the top step is 4" (10cm) high with 18" (46cm) tread. There is a 7" (18cm) step up over the threshold through the uPVC back door, 28.5" (72cm) wide, hinged on the right and opening inwards. This door is locked with a dead-locking system, operated by lifting the handle to an upright position once the door has been closed, before the key will turn to complete the locking procedure.
- We aim to greet all our guests personally on arrival. The key to the cottage is issued on arrival. If we are not able to greet guests there is a key safe mounted in the back yard. The key code and precise location are issued by SMS or email prior to arrival to those guests who cannot be met in person. We will call later to greet guests personally.
- We supply tea, coffee, sugar, and milk, on arrival so you can take some refreshment after your journey without having to unpack.
- The front door opens inwards into the hall which has fitted coir matting giving way to a laminated floor leading to all rooms on the ground floor with no steps.
- A light switch (2 way switch) is located next to the front door 55" (140cm) from the floor which operates the hall lights. It's partner switch is at the opposite end of the hall just before the kitchen doorway.
- The hall gives access to the

Understairs cupboard

- There is no door, but a safety gate can be fitted to create a dog pen/ keep children out for their safety.
- Light switch on wall to right.

Kitchen:

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- Level access from hall. Laminate flooring continues from hallway.
- No door in doorframe, but there is a raised wooden strip covering the join in the floor which may be a possible trip hazard.
- Light switch to right of doorway 57" (145cm) from floor.
- between counters 25.5" (65cm).
- Worktop height 37" (94cm)
- Concealed dishwasher with drop down door. Controls on top edge of appliance door.
- Electric cooker, hob height 37" (94cm). Controls across front of cooker below the hob.
- Small electric oven/grill under hob. Drop down door, 2 adjustable shelves, lowest shelf position 27" (69cm) from floor.
- Large electric fan oven. Door hinged on left. Lowest shelf position is 10" (25cm) from floor.
- Extractor over hob. Controls on front edge of extractor 65" (165cm) above floor.
- Concealed fridgefreezer. Doors hinged on right. Lowest shelf of fridge 54" (137cm) from floor with salad drawers beneath. Lowest freezer drawer handle 19" (48cm) from floor.
- Breakfast bar height 35" (89cm)

Living room

- Door opens inwards, handle 33" (84cm), opening 27" (68cm).
- Light switches are to the right 53" (135cm) from floor, for central ceiling light array and a pair of wall lights.
- Room has laminate flooring with 2 rugs
- An archway opens through to main seating area. Light switches are to the right 56" (142cm) from floor, for central ceiling light and a pair of wall lights.
- Seating: 2 sofas, 1 sofa-bed, seat height 19" (48cm).
- Sofa-bed opens out to form compact double bed with mattress 53" (135cm) x 71" (180cm)
- Occasional table 19.5" (49cm) high
- 2nd occasional table 14" (36cm) high
- Dining table 33"w x 66"l x 29.5"h (84cm w x 168cm l x 75cm h)

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- Wooden high backed chairs: seat height 17.5" (45cm); 19" (48cm) with cushion)

Stairs

- There are 13 stairs, the first 3 turning by degrees through 90deg angle: 32" (81cm) wide, riser 8" (20cm), tread 9.75" (25cm) (moderate).
- Short handrail on the left ascending for first 3 stairs then use the newel post on the right round the turn on the stairs, then a handrail on the left to the top of the stairs. There is also a handrail on the right for the 3 stairs beyond the turn.
- At the foot of the stairs to the left is a 2-way light switch for the landing lights.
- Fully carpeted.
- Stairs lead to a half landing off which opens the bathroom.
- 2 further steps riser 6" (15cm) tread 30"+ (76cm+), lead onto the main landing.

Bathroom

- Door opens inwards, opening 27" (69cm), internal bolt 55" (140cm) from floor.
- Light switch by pull cord, grab height 57" (145cm)
- Floor covering is fitted vinyl.
- Sliding shower cubicle door opens to width 19" (48cm). Step into shower is 8" (20cm) over edge of tray. Tray 33" x 46" (84cm x 107cm) Shower controls wall mounted 45" (104cm) above tray. Adjustable shower head min height 58" (147cm), max 75" (190cm)
- Close coupled WC. Seat height 16" (40cm)
- Wash hand basin height 31.5" (80cm) Hot water on left.
- Corner bath with shower attachment. 20" (51cm) high. Internal bath space 53" (132cm) x 25" (63cm) oval.
- Transfer space within bathroom is in excess of 6'6" x 6'6" (2m x 2m)
- A chair is provided

Landing

- The landing opens to a space 34" x 10'2" (86cm x 310cm)

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- 2-way light switch for landing light is to left of doorway into

Double bedroom

- Door opens inwards, handle 33" (84cm), opening 29" (74cm).
- Light switch on left 53" (132cm) from floor.
- Room is fully carpeted. Largest transfer space beside the bed is 45" x 75" (104 x 190cm).
- Double bed - mattress 55" x 79" (140 x 200cm) (bedframe 59" x 81.5" (150 x 207cm)), height 18" (46cm)

Master Bedroom

- Door opens inwards, handle 34" (86cm), opening 28" (71cm).
- Light switch on right 54" (105cm) from floor.
- Room is fully carpeted. Largest transfer space beside bed is 45" x 75" (104 x 190cm).
- King-size double bed - mattress 60" x 78" (153 x 200cm) (bedframe 68" x 80" (173 x 183cm)), height 20.5" (52cm) from floor.

Additional information

- An Information Folder is provided. This includes operating instructions for all appliances in the cottage, emergency evacuation instructions and contact details for medical emergencies.
- Mobile phone reception is good.
- The Cottage is no smoking.

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