



Oak Hill Escape

Useful Information – We hope!

Welcome to Oak Hill Escape. We do hope you have a wonderful stay in our Quirky Lodge to enjoy the space and peace. To help your stay be trouble free we've listed some useful information. We hope that we haven't missed anything, but if you have any queries, please get in touch.

Car Parking

There is plenty of space to turn even a large vehicle around. Oak Lodge is a walk along the stone track and then uphill. This takes approximately 4 minutes (can be done in 3 at pace though).

The first thing you'll see at the top are the views and Oak Lodge roof peeking out at you. There is a bench at the top of the track where you can sit down and take in the views if you wish. It is essential to bring boots or wellies as it can get a little muddy after heavy rain. If you need any help taking items up, we'll be on hand with a quad and trailer if needed.

When you arrive, you will find a few essentials ready for you in Oak Lodge

- Teabags
- Sugar
- Milk
- Coffee

All **bedding & towels** are provided for your stay (except for the sofa bed).

Firelighters and an initial supply of logs are provided in a basket for the hot tub or outside BBQ fire use. If you need extra of either of these just let us know as they can be purchased.

Bio Ethanol Cast Iron Burner. This looks exactly like a log burner, but doesn't require the same work! It will be filled before your arrival with 1 litre of Bio fuel. Instructions for use will be in Oak Lodge and depending on the setting will be sufficient for 3-5 hours use. Just light and that's it. If you want more fuel, please just ask for additional days.

Mobile phone signal & 4G ranges from excellent to patchy, depending on which network you are with and which way the wind is blowing (literally).

Anyone using the Vodaphone network (Vodaphone, Lebara, Voxi, Asda & Talk Mobile) will generally have a full signal and fast 4G connection. Other networks do work, but can be temperamental.



Oak Lodge

Door into Oak Lodge

Go up the steps onto the porch area and here you'll find a place to kick off your boots under cover, before entering the lodge. The heavy duty door doesn't give any clues as to the space behind it, however if you are any taller than 1.6 metres (5 feet 3"), please mind your head. Once inside the lodge it is spacious with very high ceilings.

Lighting

The porch light is on a PIR sensor and will come on and off automatically when you pass near it. You can turn this off though from a switch by the main door.

The main overhead pendent LED lights are operated by two separate switches. One is to the right of the main door and the other to the left of the bedroom door. This switch is dimmable.

Bio Ethanol Burner

There is an eco-friendly cast iron Bio Ethanol Burner in the main lodge room. It is very similar to a log burner, burns cleanly and gives out heat similar to a 2 KW electric fire. Bio ethanol fuel is a plant based fuel made from sugar beet molasses and is generally smokeless and odourless (with a very low carbon footprint). It is designed to burn only the special high alcohol bio ethanol fuel provided and please never add anything else (including paper). It is simple to use and full instructions will be provided.

A litre of fuel will be provided each day and this is sufficient to burn for between 3 to 5 hours depending upon the heat setting chosen. It's very simple and just needs adding once a day, that's all.

If you require additional then a litre bottle is just £3 each.

Opening windows or fan

If the weather is warm or you are cooking using the gas rings you may wish to run the extractor fan in the adjacent bathroom or open one of the windows. The fan switch is simply the bathroom light switch and will automatically come on.

Sleeping

There is one cosy bedroom with a King Size bed, dimmable main light and 2 radiators. Both have TRV's so that you can turn them down or off if it gets too warm in there. Each side has a double plug socket with additional USB A & C sockets.

In the lounge, the comfy sofa converts into a sofa bed easily. Whilst the sofa is a large 3 seater sofa, the bed section is 115 cm wide and best suited for 1 larger or possibly 2 smaller children. A full sized UK double bed for example is 135cm wide and 2 adults would be a very tight squeeze! We do not charge any extra for children, however **please bring suitable bedding and pillows for the Sofa Bed as it's not provided.**

Heating

The heating is pre-set and on a thermostat to keep the lodge nice and cosy. If you feel it needs a boost then there are no complicated programs to mess with and all you have to do is push the large 'Heating On' button. The heating will then come on for a set time when pressed, before reverting back to the schedule.



The main room has 2 double radiators with own TRV's and the lodge is fully insulated and heats up quickly. If it gets too hot, then either turn the TRV's down (radiator valves) or push the heating on button again to turn off. In summer the insulation acts to keep the lodge cooler, however there are 4 opening windows in total and if you require a fan, please just let us know.

There are some firelighters and logs provided ready for hot tub use. There is also a lighter provided. You should only need a couple of firelighters and a couple of logs to get the hot tub fire going. Please read the instructions and use the thermometer. Anything above 40C can be dangerous and the hot tub rules are clearly marked.

Outside the hot tub and attached to the lodge are towel hooks and a solar light. You can leave this on just the sensor or switch it on or off depending on what you want.

Kitchenette

In the kitchenette there is a 2 Ring Gas Hob, Air fryer & Microwave for cooking. There are saucepans & frying pans as well as many other utensils.

Fire Safety

A Fire Blanket is located above the shower room door in the kitchen and a Smoke Detector and CO alarm are in the main room.

Recycling

At Oak Hill Escape we aim to recycle as many items as we possibly can and ask that our guests help us to achieve this. There is a clearly marked bin for you to pop in all glass, metal, plastic or paper items, please ensure that they are clean first. If this should become full please let us now and we'll empty them for you. We ask that you put all food waste into the compost bin provided. Any other non-recyclable items should be deposited in the other bin.

Power & Water Supply –

At Oak Hill Escape, we are connected to mains water & electricity. Solar panels on the garage roof, combined with battery storage help to provide continuous clean power. We use 100% green electricity as we are part of a local community club using either solar, anaerobic digester or wind turbine. This operates 24/7 a good few miles away, but does not rely on any fossil fuels or nuclear energy.

In Wales we get a fair amount of rain, so this is collected from the stable roof and stored in tanks ready for use in the garden.

The meadow where the lodge is, is car free for peace and quiet and the safety of all of our guests. Wheelbarrows are provided to move anything from the car or we may be able to help using our quad and trailer up the hill.

Wellies / Boots are essential as the grass can be wet in the morning, regardless of whether it rains.





BATHROOM

Shower

Hot water for the shower is always available and is from a combi boiler using a gas bottle.

Toilet

A very cleverly design porcelain waterless toilet that does not need flushing! It is a composting loo, but the best available. Composting takes place outside in a container and after 6 months we have perfect compost for growing. No smells, no fuss and often surprise at how well it works!

OUTSIDE

Hot Tub

A luxury, wood fired hot tub for two is just outside with bubbles & full instructions are supplied.

An LED light is attached to the lodge and you can switch it off by pushing the button if you wish to take in the night sky

Barbeque

There is a wood fired Californian BBQ Grill on the area below Oak Lodge. Great for al fresco dining. An initial supply of wood is provided. Please take care when using the barbeque and only use the tools provided. Make sure you keep all hot utensils etc. away from the lodge.

Surroundings

There is a picnic table by the lodge, but feel free to walk higher up across the field to the picnic bench for even better 300 degree views. Please do not go through any closed gates as these belong to our neighbour. Please stay on the cut grass paths if possible as there are dips, brambles and these places are home to many wildlife and wildflowers.

There is an old sunken track through the trees as an alternative to the quicker path, however it is uneven, but worth a walk. In Spring particularly & early summer there are numerous wildflowers in abundance, along with wild roses, blackberries, crab apples & hazel nuts.

The small town of Llanfair Caereinion is a 3 minute drive away (1.7 miles). Here you'll find the usual convenience shops (Spa/Londis), petrol station, hairdressers, 3 pubs, Chinese takeaway & Fish & Chip shop.

Take a trip on the Welshpool & Llanfair Light railway, visit the Cloverland Model Motor Museum, visit Deri woods & riverside walk, try the Alpaca Experience or walk the town trail (starting from the steam railway station).

There is also electric car charging in Llanfair & many rapid charging places in Welshpool (10 miles / 15 minutes away by car).

Please click on the links below for further info on what there is to do in Llanfair and Powys in general.

[In Llanfair – Llanfair Caereinion](#)

[Mid Wales My Way | Powys Tourism](#)

There is a lot to see and do in beautiful Powys including the Glyndwr Walk, Dyfnant forest, Powys Castle & Gardens, Lake Vyrnwy, Llanfyllin Workhouse or for some retail therapy try Coed Y Dinas (Charlie's in Welshpool).



GENERAL INFORMATION

Check in & Check out

Check in time is from **4.00pm**. although earlier is sometimes possible if there have no guests leaving that day. Please just message to check.

Check out time is by **10.00am**. Again, later may be possible and please just ask.

If you plan to check in later than 6pm, please just let us know in advance.

4G Wifi is available for browsing, streaming and for calls such as What's App. As you can imagine, it's not superfast, however when there is a decent signal, it all works well and you can watch TV with no buffering.

TV signal with an antenna is generally very limited around here (and an aerial would look awful on the lodge). The LG smart TV comes with Amazon Prime Video with the usual large selection of films etc. Just push the Amazon Prime button on the remote. If you have other accounts you usually use such as Netflix for example, then please log in with your own details as usual.

Some useful Contact numbers

Doctors Surgery – 01938 810279

Elwyn Griffith Taxis – 07860 663509

Welshpool Taxis – 01938 691532

Chinese Takeaway – Chinese Llanfair – 01938 739049

Fish & Chips – Llanfair Fish Bar – 07773 125917