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Extraordinary holidays, celebrations & adventures



Enjoying your stay at Parsons Pleck

Everything you need to get the most out of your stay

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Arrival

Where we are

Property name: Parsons Pleck
Address: Pershore
Birlingham
Worcestershire
WR10 3AA

Check in & check out

Check in time: 4pm
Check out time: 10am

Getting to us

The best postcode to use for satnavs:	WR10 3AA
Nearest station:	Pershore
Nearest airport:	Birmingham
Taxis:	Pershore Taxis 07799 477571

Directions

From Pershore

Take Three Springs Road towards Cheltenham and Defford. Approximately two miles on there is a turning to Birlingham on the right. 700 yards further on is Parsons Pleck, a cedar clad bungalow, on your right.

Parking

Please consider parking when planning your stay. There is parking for **up to 5 cars in total**, 4 comfortably. Please ensure that you always park **on the driveway** to Parsons Pleck, and not on the verges or anywhere blocking other access.

Cooking & Dining

Chef services

Andrew Kojima

Andrew "Koj" Kojima is a British-Japanese chef based in the Cotswolds. After reaching the pinnacle of amateur cooking success in the final of MasterChef 2012, he turned professional after a fast-track training programme in Michelin-starred kitchens across the UK and Europe, before specialising in Japanese cuisine, where his heart and heritage lie. One of the most naturally talented and imaginative private chefs in the UK, he has cooked Japanese style food for The Queen, sports stars, supermodels and Hollywood royalty. He teaches, promotes and demonstrates Japanese cookery through pop-ups, cookery schools and food festivals around the UK. He writes a monthly column in *Crumbs Magazine* and has contributed to *Spear's* and *Cotswold Life*. He is a judge of both the Great Taste Awards and the World Cheese Awards. It is strongly advised to book this service well in advance due to popularity. See the following article on Andrew Kojima: www.hardens.com/uk-london/09-03-2017/japanese-but-no-sushi-in-cheltenham/
www.kojcooks.co.uk

Ben Axford

Have an exquisite menu specifically tailored to your tastes and made in the comfort of the house. Forget the taxis; sit back and relax whilst you're served some of Ben's sumptuous signature dishes. Also, a great idea for hens is Ben's private cookery classes (to include dinner) at £120 per person. See his site for more details.
07984 480 446 | www.benaxford.com/private-dining | info@benaxford.com

Marion New Simple Suppers

Marion New is local to the village, with over 20 years' experience. She caters local weddings, shoot lunches and other events, and has been delivering a wonderful home-cooked meal to guests from the beginning. If you want to arrive to a lovely meal ready to heat up, have a look at her Simple Suppers menu.
07867 796044 | cookiemar@icloud.com

Feast for the Senses

Catering that strives to do just what it says on the proverbial tin: provide a feast for the senses. Inspired by nature and ensuring only quality and satisfaction for your special meal. Offering either a private chef or fresh meals delivered straight to your door. Or, ideal for smaller parties, a bespoke tasting menu.
01608 674847 | www.feastforthesenses.co.uk

El Toro Catering

El Toro is a small business based in Cheltenham priding itself on producing outstanding food using quality seasonal ingredients to create amazing food that not only looks great but most importantly tastes superb. The company is owned & operated by Matthew Leach who has been a chef for 27 years, working in various high-end restaurants & hotels.
01793 485066 | www.eltoroswindon.co.uk

Renowned local produce

The area is famous for its asparagus, and for stays in early July you can catch the equally famous Pershore Plum Festival. Pershore and its association with the plum is not a new thing, the area has been famous for its fruit growing since medieval times. Early in the 19th century the Pershore Yellow Egg Plum was found growing wild in Tiddesley Wood and by 1870 records show that over 900 tons of the fruit were being sent to market during harvest time.

Cooking & Dining - great places to eat & drink

There are many excellent dining places nearby so we have listed a small selection below that we think you'll enjoy. Booking in advance is strongly recommended.

Nearest pub

The Swan Inn

Just down the road is this lovely local offering delicious food indoors and out in a beautiful village setting. David Russon and head chef Chris Church take pride in using good quality, fresh products when preparing dishes for the menu. They will do everything possible to ensure that the menu is as varied as possible to suit all tastes and that fresh, local products are used wherever possible.

Church Street, Birlingham, Pershore, Worcestershire, WR10 3AQ (1 minute drive / 10 minute walk)
01386 750485 | www.theswaninn.co.uk

Pubs

The Butchers Arms ★

This is our top recommendation, one that is sure to impress and so is well worth the extra minutes travel time. The Butchers Arms is first and foremost a rural pub, where the bar is the hub of life, with low ceilings, wooden floors, roaring fires and real ale served straight from the cask. Their small seasonal menu is a huge feature of the pub, for which in 2011 they were awarded a Michelin Star. They have also been named as Michelin's pub of the year 2016.

Lime Street, Eldersfield, Gloucester, GL19 4NX (30 minute drive)
01452 840381 | www.thebutchersarms.net

The Oak Inn

The Oak Inn is a beautifully maintained 17th century family run free house and restaurant. At the Oak Inn the atmosphere and service is friendly and informal with select local beers and a choice of continental lagers and great wines. Diners have the option of eating in the bar, lounge or the more contemporary refurbished restaurant. If you have a dog with you, we are happy for you to eat in the bar area. Children are also welcome.

Defford, adj Woodmancote Turn, Worcester, WR8 9BW (4 minute drive / 40 minute walk)
01386 750327 | www.theoakinndefford.com | oakinndefford@btconnect.com

The Jockey Inn

Log fires and cosy armchairs along with plenty of cosy corners in which to relax and enjoy the beautiful surroundings. Among the fabulous blend of contemporary and classic furnishings. The jockey inn provides the ideal location to enjoy an informal drink with friends, a leisurely pub meal from their bar menu, or dine in the restaurant and sample the delightful menus created by the award winning chef using only the best fresh locally sourced ingredients.

Pershore Road, Baughton, Earls Croome, Worcestershire, WR8 9DQ (7 minute drive)
01684 592153 | www.thejockeyinn.co.uk | info@thejockeyinn.co.uk

Cooking & Dining - great places to eat & drink

Restaurants

Eckington Manor Restaurant

The team at Eckington Manor combine British and European cuisine with the odd dish from further afield to create diverse and imaginative menus that incorporate locally grown produce from both their own farm and the surrounding area. Breakfasts are freshly cooked to order; seasonal a la carte menus for lunch or dinner and afternoon light bites are all available, as well as picnic hampers to enjoy on the lawn or for your trip into the spectacular surrounding countryside.

Eckington Manor, Hammock Road, Eckington, Worcestershire, WR10 3BJ (5 minute drive)

01386 751600 | www.eckingtonmanor.co.uk | info@eckingtonmanor.co.uk

Belle House

Established for 12 years now and led by the passionate Steve Waites, Michelin Trained Head Chef & Proprietor. Steve and the team cook creative modern fine dining menus with an emphasis on flavour and presentation, which have an innovative twist and are influenced by the Mediterranean. The restaurant interior is stylish and smart and has been carefully designed, retaining many of the original features. Its modern uncluttered elegance provides a comfortable and relaxed dining experience with guaranteed consistently high standards of fine food and first class service. Belle House is open 12-2pm for lunch and 7-9.30pm for dinner; Wednesdays to Saturdays.

Bridge Street, Pershore, Worcestershire, WR10 1AJ (6 minute drive)

01386 555055 | www.belle-house.co.uk | mail@belle-house.co.uk

No. 131

The food at No. 131 will be, wherever possible, English and in season. The kitchen aims to serve food, which is generous, relaxed and fun. Suppliers have been carefully selected for their quality and will always be organic, where possible. No. 131 supports local farmers, their heritage breeds and artisan producers. The menu focuses on prime cuts, which are cooked in the wood-fired 'Josper' oven. There is an open, raw counter where three salads are prepared daily alongside fresh seafood, and house cures will be offered.

131 Promenade, Cheltenham, Gloucestershire, GL50 1NW (35 minute drive)

01242 822939 | www.no131.com | reservations@no131.com

Family restaurants

The Pickled Plum

The menu combines the traditional with the new, offering firm favourites such as Fish & Chips and Burgers alongside more contemporary offerings. Produce is sourced locally wherever possible and freshly prepared especially for you. Specials feature an ever changing variety of seasonal dishes to ensure an interesting and varied menu whatever time of the year. Also don't miss the live jazz on offer at Sunday lunchtimes.

135 High Street, Pershore, Worcestershire, WR10 1EQ (8 minute drive)

01386 556645 | www.pickledplum.co.uk | enquiries@pickledplum.co.uk

Cooking & Dining - shopping for food

Takeaway

Jimmy Pickles Indian Restaurant

76 High St, Pershore, Worcestershire, WR10 1DU (7 minute drive)

01386 555900 | www.jimmypickles.co.uk

Newlands Fish Bar

21 Newlands, Pershore, WR10 1BW (5 minute drive)

01386 552824

Supermarkets

Asda

King George's Way (off Cherry Orchard), Pershore, WR10 1QU (8 minute drive)

01386 565900 | www.asda.com

The Co-operative Food

Racecourse Road, South West and Wales, Pershore, WR10 2EY (8 minute drive)

01386 553967 | www.co-operativefood.com

Convenience stores

Tesco Express

15-17 High St, Pershore, WR10 1AA (7 minute drive)

0345 0269392 | www.tesco.com

Costcutter

2 Hurst Rd, Pershore, WR10 1NX (8 minute drive)

01386 552714

Cooking & Dining - shopping for food

Delicatessens

The Deli @ Pershore

66 High St, Pershore, WR10 1DU (7 minute drive)
01386 553689 | www.pershoredeli.co.uk

Broadway Deli

St Patricks, 29 High St, Broadway, WR12 7DP (28 minute drive)
01386 853040 | www.broadwaydeli.co.uk

Butchers

Manor Farms Ltd

64B High St, Pershore, WR10 1DU (7 minute drive)
01386 552090

Abbey Butchers

10 High St, Pershore, WR10 1BG (6 minute drive)
01386 554349 | www.pershoremarket.com

Fishmongers

Pershore Seafood

10 High St, Pershore, WR10 1BG (6 minute drive)
01386 555731 | www.pershoremarket.com
Call ahead for fresh shell fish, oysters, lobster and more.

Greengrocers

K 'n J Fruit & Veg

10 High St, Pershore, WR10 1BG (6 minute drive)
01386 555805 | www.pershoremarket.com

Bakeries

Market Bakery

10 High St, Pershore, WR10 1BG (6 minute drive)
01386 554952 | www.pershoremarket.com | cchhaarli@aol.com

Cooking & Dining - shopping for food

Farmers markets

Revills Farm Shop ★

Bourne Road, Defford, Nr. Pershore, Worcestershire WR8 9BS (3 minute drive)

01386 750 466 | www.revillsfarmshop.co.uk

* 10% off when mentioning your stay at Parsons Pleck *

Wine merchants

Broadway Wine Co.

39 Kennel Lane, Broadway, Worcestershire, WR12 7DP (28 minute drive)

01386 852501 | www.broadwaywinecompany.co.uk

Majestic Wine

The Link, Evesham, WR11 2UT (22 minute drive)

01386 423824 | www.majestic.co.uk

Supermarket online orders/deliveries

For home delivery, Sainsbury's, Asda, Morrisons, Waitrose, Tesco and Ocado all provide an online service.

On request, food deliveries to the house can be unpacked and organised.

Things to Do

Horse riding

Durhams Farm Riding School

Durhams Farm Riding School is a family-run business situated in a beautiful area of The Cotswolds. The farm spans 60 acres of glorious countryside set between the popular market towns of Moreton in Marsh, Stow on the Wold and Chipping Norton. The riding school was founded in 1994 to bring together people of every background and all ages to have fun and learn new skills. Pat and her wonderful team are dedicated to providing you with the best possible service and a horse riding experience that is second to none.

Durhams Farm, Kitebrook Road, Chastleton, Moreton-in-Marsh, GL56 0SZ (47 minute drive)

01608 674 867 | cotswoldriding.durhams@hotmail.co.uk | www.cotswoldriding.com

Fishing

Eckington, Pershore

The leisure area of Eckington Caravan Park is situated on the River Avon. The river provides excellent fishing for Bream, Chub, Tench, Dace and Pike. Please note that it is essential that you purchase a rod licence for anyone over the age of twelve years as there is a considerable fine for fishing without a licence. The fishing season runs from June 16th to 14th March. The cost at time of writing is £27.00 for a coarse fishing licence.

Eckington Riverside Park, Eckington, Pershore, WR10 3DD (15 minute drive)

01386 751 958 | www.eckingtoncaravanpark.co.uk

Golf

The Vale Golf & Country Club

Enjoy a peaceful day's fishing here at the Vale Golf and Country Club, Set on the lake surrounding one of the most picturesque greens on the course, the vale offers a tranquil and peaceful setting. Stocked with both common and mirror carp it is the perfect setting for the fisher looking to escape. Also offering extensive facilities for golf, including a par 74, 18 hole course, a 9 hole shorter course and excellent practice facilities.

Hill Furze Road, Bishampton, Worcestershire, WR10 2LZ (20 minute drive)

01386 462 781 | general.manager@thevalegolf.co.uk | www.thevalegolf.co.uk

Breweries & distilleries

Pershore Brewery

Set on the outskirts of Pershore, nestled deep in the heart of the local business community, Sean & Elizabeth Barnett, owners and Brewers, are putting the 'kettle on' and welcome you to take a tour around the Brew House and to meet the team.

Unit 5 Lyttleton Road, Pershore, Worcester, WR10 2DF (10 minute drive)

01386 561 578 | www.pershorebrewery.com

Things to Do

Chase Distillery

This unique tour and tasting experience will unlock some of the secrets and skills that go into creating the award-winning range of super premium Chase spirits. After the tour you'll head back to the Chase Bar to enjoy a tutored tasting of the range of award-winning products, and if there's something that takes your fancy, you can pick up a bottle at the Boutique Distillery Shop.

Rosemaund Farm, Hereford, HR1 3PG (50 minute drive)

01432 820 455 | sales@williamschase.co.uk | www.chasedistillery.co.uk

Photography

Kim Bailey

Kim believes in those special moments, and of the love that ties a family together. Based near the Malvern Hills in Worcestershire, she feels inspired living amongst such beautiful surroundings and tries to convey this beauty in her images.

07552 333 929 | www.kimbaileyphotography.com | info@kimbaileyphotography.com

Dampering & fitness

Just Gorgeous Salon

The perfect cure for tired minds and bodies. Offering you everything from aromatherapy massage to Swedish body massages. The team will help you decide which service is best for you.

21 High St, Pershore WR10 1AA (5 minute drive)

01386 561 425 | www.justgorgeoushairandbeauty.co.uk

Pershore Leisure Centre

Pershore Leisure Centre also offers a variety of group exercise classes, an impressive 25m pool with extensive swimming timetables, a well-equipped gym and much more.

King Georges Way, Pershore, WR10 1QU (8 minute drive)

01386 552 346 | plc_dms@wychavonleisure.co.uk | www.wychavonleisure.co.uk

Daylesford Farmshop & Café

The Bamford Haybarn Spa is a wellness retreat in the Cotswolds, situated next to the Daylesford Farmshop. Offering a range of activities including yoga, pilates, meditation, facial and massage treatments.

Daylesford near Kingham, Gloucestershire GL56 0YG (50 minute drive)

01608 731 700 | thefarm@daylesford.com | www.daylesford.com/bamford-haybarn

Clay pigeon shooting

Ian Coley

24 stands including a 120ft High Tower, DTL and Double Trap layouts, Grouse Butt and more. Available for Pay & Play practice to licence holders or tuition with professional coaches. Beginners very welcome. The gun shop was voted best in the UK.

Ian Coley Sporting Ltd. Nr. Andoversford, Cheltenham, Gloucestershire, GL54 4AX (35 minute drive)

01242 870 391 | info@iancoley.co.uk | www.iancoley.co.uk

Things to Do for Children

Get active!

Aztec Adventure

With over twenty years' experience running children's activities, Aztec know how to make watersports fun. Their RYA qualified instructors offer professional tuition using outstanding equipment to ensure the experience will be one to remember.

There's something for everyone here, from taster sessions to full RYA and BCU courses. The birthday party packages are the perfect way to celebrate your child's special day and the Saturday Surf and Sail School is a great value way to introduce them to windsurfing and sailing, or to improve their existing skills. The Sunday morning Warrior Club has become an institution in its own right, with the perfect chance to get on the water and have a go at all of the activities Aztec has to offer, in a true pick and mix style and with prices starting from just £7, there is no better way to spend a Sunday morning.

Running over Easter, half term and throughout the summer holidays, this is the perfect way for kids to enjoy their time away from school. Throughout the course they will be given the opportunity to take part in a vast range of activities with fully qualified and enthusiastic instructors. Activities include windsurfing, kayaking, sailing, canoeing, raft building, archery and much more.

Salters Lane, Lower Moor, Worcestershire, WR10 2PD (15 minute drive)
01386 860 013 | lowermoor@aztecadventure.co.uk | www.aztecadventure.co.uk

Educational

Worcester Cathedral

Simply turn up for a tour at 11am and 2.30pm, Monday to Saturday from March until the end of November (excluding Good Friday) or from December until the end of February on Saturdays only at the same times. £5 per person (accompanied children free).

8 College Yard, Worcester, WR1 2LA (20 minute drive)
01905 732 900 | www.worcestercathedral.co.uk | info@worcestercathedral.org.uk

Adventure

West Midland Safari Park

Are you ready to go on Safari and come face to face with some of the fastest, tallest and cutest animals around on a Safari Drive-through? Explore the African Plains, Wild Asia, the Carnivores, Elephant Valley and more all from the comfort of your own car.

Bewdley, Worcestershire, DY12 1LF (50 minute drive)
01299 402114 | www.wmsp.co.uk

Useful Information

Parsons Pleck at a glance

Bedrooms and Bathrooms

- Sleeps 12-14
- 6 bedrooms | 4 bathrooms

Bedrooms	Sleeps	Beds	Features
Bedroom 1	2	Super King / Twin †	En-suite
Bedroom 2	2	Super King	En-suite
Bedroom 3	2	Super King / Twin †	
Bedroom 4	2	Super King / Twin †	
Bedroom 5	2	Super King / Twin †	
Bedroom 6	2	Super King / Twin †	Annex*

* Includes double sofa bed

† Zip-and-link beds (can be made up as either Super King or Twin)

Cooking & Dining

- Modern kitchen fully equipped with machines
- Hire a private chef for effortless fine dining in the comfort of the house
- Dining table seating 14
- Nespresso machine
- Fridge-freezer with ice machine
- Large Webber BBQ (coal not provided)
- Table and chairs outside on the decking

Where We Are

- Closest airport is Birmingham International
- Closest station is Pershore
- Taxis available
- Pershore | Worcestershire | WR10 3AA

Internal Features

- Table tennis and Wii games console
- 42" and 46" TVs with Freeview and DVD
- Wood burner
- DVDs (suitable for children)
- Plenty of books for all ages and tastes

External Features

- Fenced swimming pool (May – September) (For your own safety, diving is not allowed)
- Trampoline
- Gas BBQ

Useful Information

Activities

- Visit Spetchley Gardens
- Clay pigeon shooting
- Go hiking in the Malvern Hills
- Quad biking at Peachley Quad Trekking
- Spend the day in cultural hub Cheltenham

Top Things to Do for Children

- Go Ape! in Wyre Forest
- Paint your own pottery at Green Frog Pottery Shop
- Explore West Midlands Safari Park
- Ride the Evesham Vale Light Railway
- Have a picnic at Abbey Park

Payment Process

- We take a one-third deposit at the time of booking
- The balance is due three months before the date booked

Cautionary Deposit

- £500 refundable deposit

House Restrictions

- Noise policy in place
- No diving in the pool
- No fireworks
- Not suitable for stag parties
- Hen parties accepted at the discretion of the owner
- Not suitable for weddings
- Dogs are permitted at £50 per dog per stay. Please note that you must bring your own dog towels and that dogs must enter the property via the back door, near which there is a dog-safe room
- Bouncy castles are welcome

Arrival and Departure

- Check in is 4pm
- Check out is 10am

What's Included

- Tea, coffee, sugar, milk, bread, herbs, spices and cake
- 10% off at Revels Farmer Shop in Defford (mention Parsons Pleck)
- On request, shopping deliveries can be unpacked and organised
- Wi-Fi
- iPod dock
- Keyboard
- Travel cot (linen not included)
- High chair
- Linen, towels and essentials

Useful Information

- Wine fridge
- Dishwasher
- Washer and dryer
- Please note that there are no phones included with the property

Guest Reviews

"Tussie's beautiful house was the perfect setting for a long weekend in the Cotswolds, so perfect we rarely left it! We couldn't believe our luck when we arrived at the property and Tussie upgraded us to the full house rather than just the Annex, which we had originally booked. The Annex in its own right is spacious, meticulously kitted out with everything you might need for your stay and very private if that's what you're looking for. That said, the full house is something very special. Sleeping 14 comfortably, some of its best features include: an enormous open plan living room with sliding glass doors that open onto a wrap-around deck, a fully stocked kitchen (better stocked than my own at home), a bbq, luxurious ensuite bedrooms, wireless speakers for all your music needs, fab artwork everywhere you look, a wood burning stove and the best part... A SWIMMING POOL! The property has very obviously been designed with care and attention to detail. The best endorsement I can give is to say that I'll definitely be back...with more friends!"

– Sean

"The space, the pool, the deck, the beautiful bedrooms No improvement necessary.
Keep up the great work!"

– (Private)

"We arrived to a warm welcome from Tussie who showed us around her magnificent home. It's very spacious and very stylish. It's a wonderful modern open plan interior with views out into the garden and countryside beyond. A real 'grand design'. We took our dog and the walks from the house were perfect. We also took our toddler, who loved the garden and my elderly parents who loved the peacefulness of the property and garden. We stayed for nearly a week visiting my brother and one night had all my brother's family round, 12 of us in total. I cooked for everyone and found the kitchen to be exceptional, well kitted out with everything I needed and a great layout. A brilliant party house as well as a great house to chill out. The location is ideal for visiting the Malverns or the Cotswolds, with Broadway only around 35 minutes away. The nearby town of Pershore is great and the little village itself is nice with a pub in walking distance. I would not hesitate to recommend this property. It's ideal for just a few people or a large group, it's so spacious. We all had a wonderful time, we didn't want to leave and will be renting it again in the future. Thanks Tussie!"

– Anna