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Extraordinary holidays, celebrations & adventures



**Enjoying your stay at
The Orchard**

Everything you need to get the most out of your stay

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Arrival

Where we are

Property Name: The Orchard
Address: Church Road
Cookham Dean
County: Berkshire
Postcode: SL6 9PD

Check in and check out

Contact name for check in: Gary Stevens
Contact number for check in: 07768 843476

Check in time: 4pm
Check out time for 2 night weekend bookings: 4pm on Sunday
Check out time for 3 night weekend bookings: 10am on Monday
Check out time for 7 night week bookings: 10am on Monday

Getting to us

The best postcode to use with satnav is:	SL6 9PD
Nearest train stations and distance:	Cookham, a 20 minute walk/4 minute drive
Taxis are available:	Golden Executive www.goldenexecutive.co.uk Tel: 01628 622955
The nearest airport is:	London Heathrow, a 30 minute drive

Directions to The Orchard

Cookham Dean is a village close to Maidenhead. From the M40, come off at junction 4 and take the A404 to the Bisham roundabout, your satnav should then direct you to Church Rd in Cookham Dean.

From the M4, come off at junction 8/9 and take the A404 to the Bisham roundabout, follow satnav as above.

The Orchard is situated on Church Road opposite the Old Cricket Green. If you are travelling down Church Rd go past The Jolly Farmer Pub, then the church and The Orchard is about 150yds past the church on the right, opposite the Old Cricket Green.

Cooking & dining - chef services

You'll find our top recommendations below. If you do discover any other gems please do let us know and we will share them with other guests visiting the property.

Catering and drop-off meal service

Sausage & Pear

07908 425341 admin@sausageandpear.co.uk

Friendly, laid-back catering company that make and serve rustic, hearty food that's perfect for parties and BBQs - their paella pan is huge!

Cooking & dining - great places to eat & drink

There is an excellent array of first-rate pubs and restaurants around The Orchard; below are just a few of what's on offer. As many of these pubs are always busy, we advise that if you're eating to ring ahead to book a table.

Nearest pub

The Jolly Farmer (01628 482905)

Church Road, Cookham Dean SL6 9PJ - 1 minute walk

Gorgeous traditional village pub with a good selection of ales and wines. Food is delicious, kids and dogs are welcome, and the garden area is spacious with a wooden children's play area to keep the little ones busy.

Recommended pubs

The Chequers (01628 481232)

Dean Lane, Cookham Dean SL6 9BQ - 5-10 minute walk

Beautiful gastropub which serves excellent, adventurous food in a relaxing setting. Cask ales like Rebellion IPA and Smuggler are on tap and are well looked after; nice wine menu too.

Uncle Tom's Cabin (01628 483339)

Hills Lane, Cookham Dean SL6 9NT - 5 minute walk

Welcoming local with a large rear garden that's dog-friendly. Ales, ciders and wines on offer. Food is traditional yet tasty.

The Queens Head (01628 482927)

Pound Lane, Little Marlow SL7 3SR - 15 minute drive

Charming village pub found just over the River Thames. Unpretentious and welcoming, there's lots of ales and wines to choose from, and a large selection of whiskeys too. Staff are very friendly and attentive.

The Royal Oak (01628 488611)

Frieth Road, Bovingdon Green, Marlow SL7 2JF - 15 minute drive

Effortless country pub that's always buzzing. Food is exceptional and the ales and ciders are well-kept too.

Other great pubs

The White Oak (01628 523043)

The Pound, Cookham SL6 9QE - 5 minute drive

The Ferry (01628 525123)

Sutton Road, Cookham SL6 9SN - 10 minute drive

Cooking & dining - great places to eat & drink

Recommended restaurants

Malik's (01628 520085)

High St, Cookham SL6 9SF - 5 minute drive

Wonderful Tandoori restaurant disguised as what appears to be an ivy-clad country pub. Inside, the restaurant is spacious and welcoming, but it really is all about the food here. Having been named multiple times as the best Indian restaurant in the British Curry Awards, Malik's serves amazing dishes like Massala monkfish and spiced duck breast. Heston Blumenthal call it his favourite Indian!

The Vanilla Pod (01628 898101)

31 West Street, Marlow SL7 2LS - 10 minute drive

Nice little townhouse restaurant in Marlow. Expect gorgeous food like fillet Mignon of beef and Polenta and poached plums with spiced jelly vanilla panna cotta.

The Hand & Flowers (01628 482277)

126 West Street, Marlow SL7 2BP - 10 minute drive

Absolutely superb eatery. The only pub in the UK to have received 2 Michelin stars, The Hand & Flowers is run by Tom Kerridge, who's quite simply one of the best chefs in the land. It's all about rich, luxurious food here, so don't come if you're on a diet! Expect dishes like wood pigeon with boudin noir puree, oak gravy and mushroom crunch, and the delicious tenderloin of Wiltshire pork with pickled mustard leaf, malt glazed cheek, garlic sausage and potato dauphine. Book a table as soon as possible!

The Waterside Inn (01628 620691)

Ferry Road, Bray SL6 2AT - 15 minute drive

Arguably the best and most consistent restaurant in the UK, The Waterside Inn became the first restaurant outside of France to hold three Michelin stars for 25 years, and as a result, the food is of an extremely high quality. Choose from an array of menus, but save yourself for dessert, where a honey cream cheese mousse with gigue strawberries and vanilla flavoured sorbet awaits. Again, book ASAP!

The Fat Duck (01628 580333)

High Street, Bray SL6 2AQ - 15 minute drive

The most famous, most exciting restaurant in the country, run by the equally famous and exciting Heston Blumenthal. Inventive, theatrical, playful, and downright weird, The Fat Duck serves some truly sensational and unforgettable food. Please note that the restaurant is closed for refurbishment between December 2014 and September 2015.

Other great restaurants

The Hinds Head (01628 626151)

High Street, Bray SL6 2AB - 15 minute drive

Welcoming pub that's part of the Blumenthal empire. Less flashy than the Fat Duck, The Hinds Head is more of a gastropub. The food is still superb though.

The Crown at Bray (01628 621936)

High Street, Bray SL6 2AH - 15 minute drive

Another pub owned by Heston. Hearty British cooking in a warm, welcoming village local.

Cooking & dining - great places to eat & drink

Family restaurants

Pizza Express (01628 475333)
48 High Street, Marlow SL7 1AW - 10 minute drive

Bill's (01628 481571)
40 West Street, Marlow SL7 2NB - 10 minute drive

Zizzi's (01628 890200)
76 High Street, Marlow SL7 1AQ - 10 minute drive

Takeaways

Indian: **Malik's** (01628 520085)
High St, Cookham SL6 9SF - 5 minute drive
Mentioned in our restaurant section, Malick's also does excellent takeaway.

Italian: **Pizza Express** (01628 475333)
48 High Street, Marlow SL7 1AW - 10 minute drive
Don't deliver to your door (yet) but can make a pizza for you to collect.

Chinese: **Golden Phoenix** (01628 622919)
5 Bridge Street, Maidenhead SL6 8LR - 10 minute drive

Cooking & dining - shopping for food

Nearest convenience shop

Londis

Station Hill, Cookham SL6 9BT - 5 minute drive

Larger supermarkets

Waitrose

Chapel House, Chapel Street, Marlow SL7 1DD - 10 minute drive

Sainsbury's

43-45 Wootton Way, Maidenhead SL6 4QZ - 10 minute drive

Butchers

Macey's Butchers

Rose Cottage, Lower Road, Cookham Rise SL6 9EH - 3 minute drive

Delicatessen

Deliciously French

Station Parade, Station Hill, Cookham SL6 9BR - 5 minute drive

Nice little shop with all the best French cheeses, hams and wines for you to stock up on.

Bakery

Burgers Of Marlow

The Causeway, Marlow SL7 1NF - 8 minute drive

Wonderful artisan bread on offer, plus handcrafted pastries like croissants chocolate eclairs, and ganache torten.

Things to do - activities & pampering

Noted for the beauty of its cherry orchards in springtime and also the scenic attractions from the outstanding viewpoint of Winter Hill, Cookham Dean is undoubtedly a desirable place to be staying. You will find The Orchard at the heart of the village, surrounded by farmland and woodland, perfect for those who enjoy walking. Should you wish to venture further from your local idyll, our top recommendations for activities and pampering are below.

Clay pigeon shooting

The Big Shoot (0844 7455008)

High Wycombe HP14 3NS - 20 minute drive

Suitable for all abilities. Beginners can receive lessons and advanced shooters can get tuition. Big parties families and corporates all welcome.

Flying

Wycombe Air Park (01494 443737)

Booker, Marlow SL7 3DP - 15 minute drive

Fancy learning to fly? Wycombe Air Park is only 15 minutes' drive and is a great place to learn. There's a great team of professionals eager to teach and train you to the skies. Please ring them on the number we've provided to find out more information.

Fishing

Westhorpe Water Sports Club (01628 486617 or 07946 108705)

Westhorpe Farm, Little Marlow SL7 3RQ - 15 minute drive

Fishing available at numerous lakes that are well stocked with all types of coarse fish such as tench, bream, perch, chub, carp and pike. Annual membership or day permits available.

Watersports

Westhorpe Water Sports Club (01628 486617 or 07946 108705)

Westhorpe Farm, Little Marlow SL7 3RQ - 15 minute drive

Waterskiing, wake boarding, freestylers, racers or leisure jet skiers are all available to try and the watersports centre.

Dorney Lake

About 20 minutes drive from The Orchard is Dorney Lake, which hosted the rowing and kayaking events during the Olympic and Paralympic games for London 2012. It is a fantastic venue, and while it's not possible to receive lessons here (unless you're an Etonian or you are part of The Dorney Boat Club) there are opportunities to take part in dragon boat races, raft building and other team building exercises. They welcome corporate teams, and also can accommodate children's parties. More details can be found on their website www.dorneylake.co.uk.

Things to do - activities and pampering

Golf

Grange Lane Winter Hill Golf Club (01628 527613)

Cookham SL6 9RP - 5 minute drive

Close to The Orchard, the course is 6,397 yards in length and can be quite tricky at times. The views of Cookham and the Thames Valley are exceptional.

Burnham Beeches Golf Club (01628 661448)

Green Lane, Burnham SL1 8EG - 20 minute drive

Founded in 1891, Burcham is a 6,458 yard course that undulates nicely.

Stoke Park Golf & Country Club (01753 717171)

Stoke Park, Park Road, Stoke Poges SL2 4PG - 25 minute drive

A stunning course found on the grounds of Stoke Park. Interesting fact: the course was the setting in the James Bond film Goldfinger, when 007 had round with Goldfinger, and when Oddjob famously crushed a golf ball in his hand!

Paintball

Delta Force Paintball Berkshire (0844 477 5115)

Shurlock Row RG10 0QH - 20 minute drive

The UK's premier paintballing country. Families, big parties and corporates all welcome and catered for.

Horse Riding

Red Barn Farm (01494 882820)

Marlow Road, Marlow SL7 3DQ - 15 minute drive

Horse riding lessons and tuition available here. Don't worry if you've never tried, the friendly staff are fully trained and always happy to teach a newcomer. Red Barn Farm also offer hacks in the countryside.

Cycle Hire

There's two great places to cycle near The Orchard. The first is on the Chiltern Hills, a designated Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty. This area boasts a large network of cycle trails route including a number of National Cycle Network routes and the Chilterns Cycleway. Visit www.cyclechilterns.co.uk/routes to find out more information. The other place that's great for cycling is at Windsor, where you can hire bikes and ride around the castle grounds and even pop across the river into the picturesque Eton. Below are details of cycle hire companies that operate in the area.

Chilterns:

Henley Cycles (01491 578984)

69 Reading Road, Henley-on-Thames RG9 1AX - 25 minute drive

Windsor:

Extreme Motion (01753 830220)

Alexandra Gardens, Barry Avenue, Windsor SL4 5HZ - 25 minute drive

Things to do - activities and pampering

Pampering

Coworth Park Spa (01344 756756)

Blacknest Road, Ascot SL5 7SE - 30 minute drive

Complete with spa pool, eight treatment rooms, a manicure/pedicure salon, gym and a relaxation room, the spa at Coworth Park is no other word but luxury. An architectural wonder as well as a retreat, you will leave utterly zen.

For pampering in the comfort of your property, there is a range of treatments available from a local therapist including massage, pedicure, manicure, etc. Please book well in advance; enquire via **My Personal Sanctuary** (www.mypersonalsanctuary.co.uk) via telephone number 01625 540 557 or email enquiries@mypersonalsanctuary.co.uk.

Top things to do with children

Our top recommendations for outings with children are below.

Legoland (www.legoland.co.uk)

Windsor Resort, Winkfield Road, Windsor SL4 4AY - 25 minute drive

The nation's favourite brick has its own theme park, and it's brilliant. Over 40 million of these multi-coloured blocks are used to build anything from the London skyline to woodland trolls. There's also lots of white-knuckle rides and attractions to take part in (and if you book online, you save around 25%!).

Cliveden House (01628 605069)

Cliveden Road, Taplow, Maidenhead SL1 8NS - 15 minute drive

Set high above the Thames, Cliveden boasts glorious gardens that give way to picturesque riverside with miles of woodland walks to discover. There's a Storybook play den with wooden carvings of storybook characters and there's also a wonderful hedge maze for the kids to hide in.

Zorbing, Crazy Golf, and Bungee Trampolining (01753 830220)

Alexandra Gardens, Barry Avenue, Windsor SL4 5HZ - 25 minute drive

Previously mentioned in the cycle hire section, **Extreme Motion** also have the facilities for your little ones to do zorbing, crazy golf and bungee trampolining.

Bekonscot Model Village & Railway (01494 672919)

Warwick Road, Beaconsfield HP9 2PL - 25 minute drive

It's the world's oldest model village, dating back to 1929, so lots of the miniature houses are a perfect picture of a bygone era. There's also a lovely model railway that runs through the whole village - try not to keep it out of your sight!

Rainy day?

Odeon Cinema (www.odeon.co.uk)

Maidenhead, 42-44 King Street, Maidenhead SL6 1DY (10 minute drive)

Absolutely Go-Karting (08450 262466)

The Arena, Stafferton Way, Maidenhead SL6 1AY (15 minute drive)

Tenpin Bowling (www.tenpin.co.uk)

St Clouds Way, Holmanleaze, Maidenhead SL6 8AW (10 minute drive)

Top places to visit & shop nearby

Windsor Castle

Windsor and Maidenhead SL4 1NJ - 25 minute drive

Windsor is the largest and oldest occupied fortress in the world, a majestic building that symbolises British might and regality. There's free guided tours (every half hour) around the beautiful state rooms and chapels. Things to see: Queen Mary's Dolls' House - complete with running water and electricity, naturally; the Waterloo Chamber where the Queen entertains her guests; the King's Dressing Room where a wonderful art collection is held; St George's Chapel where the Queen Mother is buried; the Albert Memorial Chapel; and the Windsor Great Park and the Long Walk a beautiful 3 mile tree-lined path with views to stun.

Eton College

Windsor SL4 6DW - 25 minute drive

Tours around Eton's chapel, cloisters and Museum of Eton Life take place during the summer months. The largest public school in the country, Eton is also perhaps its best (it's certainly its most famous). Eton also has a small street with a number of art galleries and antique shops to peruse.

Hughenden Manor

Hughenden Manor, High Wycombe HP14 4LA - 25 minute drive

Located high in Wycombe, Hughenden Manor, the Country home of the Victorian statesman Benjamin Disraeli, offers a vivid insight into the charismatic personality and colourful private life of the most unlikely Victorian Prime Minister.

West Wycombe Park

West Wycombe HP14 3AJ - 20 minute drive

Set in 45 acres of landscaped park, West Wycombe House is the elegant Palladian home of the Dashwood family and historic village. Explore the village and then make your way up West Wycombe Hill for breath-taking views over the surrounding Chilterns countryside. High above West Wycombe and the valley you will find the main entrance to The Hell-Fire Caves, originally excavated by Sir Francis Dashwood in the 1740's. Although not part of The National Trust, the caves allow you to explore deep inside the West Wycombe Hills. Entry for the brave only.

Henley on Thames

20 minute drive

Each summer Henley regatta attracts thousands of visitors over a 5-day period to see the world's elite rowers compete. The riverside location lends itself to long lunches and afternoon teas. The regatta is not Henley's only claim to fame, the 12th century South Oxfordshire market town is also home to an established Festival of Music and Arts.

Useful information

The Orchard at a glance

Bedrooms and Bathrooms

- Sleeps up to 14 with room for a couple more on a double sofa bed
- Six bedrooms, four of which have ensuite bath or shower rooms
- Six bathrooms

Cooking and Dining

- Dining table seats 12 comfortably
- Fantastic chef available for a special meal or throughout the weekend
- Drop-off meals available
- BBQ
- Table and chairs on terrace
- Great dining nearby in Marlow, Bray, Henley
- Online deliveries

Where We Are

- The post code for the house is SL6 9PD
- 2 miles to riverside Marlow
- 5 miles to waterside Bray
- 10 miles to riverside Henley-on-Thames, Windsor and historic Eton
- The nearest train station is Cookham, a five minute drive
- The nearest airport is Heathrow
- Plenty of parking available

Things to Do Inside

- Two Sky systems with TV's in five bedrooms, two bathrooms, and two reception rooms
- Main lounge TV has full surround sound, just like being at the movies
- Two top of the range audio systems, one in the kitchen and one in the main lounge
- Wi-fi

Things to Do Outside

- Hot tub
- Pretty gardens

Activities

- Walking routes nearby
- Go Ape
- Canoeing
- Visit the beautiful riverside towns of Marlow, Cookham and Henley
- Enjoy a riverside afternoon tea at The Compleat Angler
- Canoeing
- World renowned dining at The Waterside Inn and The Fat Duck in Bray
- Pampering and beauty treatments at the house

Useful information

Top Things to Do for Children

- Legoland
- Odds Farm Park
- Marlow park and playground
- Windsor Castle

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

- Up to two well behaved dogs allowed, provided they sleep downstairs
- Not suitable for hen or stag parties

Arrival and Departure

- Check in 4pm
- Check out 4pm on a Sunday
- Check out 10am on other days

What's included

- Linen
- Towels
- Welcome hamper
- Essentials
- Utilities

Hot Tub Usage

We hope you'll enjoy using the hot tub. We want to make sure it is as safe as possible for everyone, so we ask all guests to ensure that the following guidelines are respected. These guidelines are designed to meet basic health and safety regulations, so ensure that all members of your party have read the rules regarding the use of the hot tub.

1. Swimming costumes are obligatory and you may need to bring your own towels
2. You must shower before entering the hot tub to remove any skin oils, make-up, hair products etc. This is vital to ensure a clean and healthy hot tub. If this rule is abused the hot tub may need to be closed for several days so that the water can be thoroughly refreshed. In the event of closure, no refund will be made and cleaning costs will be charged to your party.
3. Outdoor shoes and coats must be taken off around the hot tub area.
4. No alcohol or smoking is allowed in the hot tub.
5. Do not bring any form of glass into the hot tub area.
6. Do not bring in any electrical equipment into the hot tub area where you could be in contact with water.
7. Before using the hot tub, please take out the chlorine dispenser. Put it back in when everyone has left the hot tub.
8. Do not over-occupy the hot tub as this will lead to water spillage and will cause the hot tub to stop working. This is because the filter needs to be covered with water to work.
9. Children must be supervised in and around the hot tub and must not use it without an adult present. Some children can overheat; please seek medical advice if this occurs.
10. Please keep noise levels to an acceptable level. The hot tub is a place of peace and relaxation – be mindful that there are neighbouring properties.
11. It is safer and more enjoyable to use the hot tub with another person. We advise against using the hot tub alone without a member of your group knowing of your whereabouts.
12. On leaving the hot tub, please switch off all jets and lights and make sure that the hot tub is sealed with the cover provided.
13. Please note that you must not use the hot tub if you are suffering from an infectious disease or you have an open wound or sore that cannot be covered by a waterproof plaster.
14. You must not use the hot tub within 48 hours of suffering any stomach illness.
15. Certain medical conditions can be affected by the hot tub, particularly those involving extremes of temperature. You are advised to consult your doctor if you are pregnant or suffer from any of the following: heart disease; circulatory problems; high or low blood pressure; diabetes; or any other condition that affects your body's ability to react to heat.
16. Prevent taking any medication which may affect your circulation or your ability to react to heat.

Guest reviews

“Super stay at The Orchard! The rooms are beautifully furnished and the bathrooms are to die for. And so quiet, the only thing we could hear was birdsong! We’re already planning our next trip. Thank you for such a special weekend.” - **Caroline**

“We had a perfect time spending my Dad’s 70th here. The open plan kitchen was a great place to socialise and many a night-cap were had in the lounge. Wonderful, wonderful weekend was had by all.” - **Anthony B**

“Just a quick message to say thank for such an amazing week. We all enjoyed exploring the surrounding countryside and then coming back to have a wonderful meal cooked for us by an incredible chef! One of our favourite, most relaxing holidays ever.” - **Maddie**