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Extraordinary holidays, celebrations & adventures



Enjoying your stay at Midsummer Barn & Stables

Everything you need to get the most out of your stay

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Arrival

Where We Are

Please note that 'Midsummer Barn' is the marketing name we use for the property that is known locally as The Carthouse please use The Carthouse if anything is delivered to the property.

Property Name: The Carthouse
Address: Nr Ledbury
Herefordshire
Postcode: HR8 1EU

Check in and check out

Contact name for check in: Mark Lodge
Contact number for check in: 07899890711

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

Arrival

Getting To Us

The best postcode to use with satnav is: HR8 1EU
Nearest train station and distance: Ledbury a 5 minute drive away

The nearest airport is: Birmingham International

Reliable taxi service: **Ledbury Taxi service**
Cardiff Cottages
Ledbury
HR8 1NE
01531 633596

Cooking & dining - chef services

Taste Catering

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Holmer Trading Estate, Hereford, HR1 1JS
01432 273537 / 07799 002826
email: enquiries@tastemenu.co.uk
www.tastemenu.co.uk/

Taste Catering is an excellent catering service, specializing in creative, bespoke dining. All ingredients are sourced from local butchers, or farmers markets and created into culinary delights. With over 25 years worth of experience, the team are dedicated to making any occasion simply perfect.

Bensons of Broadway

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01684 854406 / 07807 453308.
5 Park Road, Gloucester, GL1 1LH
e-mail: info@bensonscateringltd.co.uk
www.bensoncateringltd.co.uk

Highly recommended by our guests, James Benson is a former Claridge's and Lygon Arms chef who uses fresh, Cotswolds produce. To add an extra special touch to your break, James can be your Chef for a night or, provide you with superb, ready to go meals or barbecue dishes dropped off for your convenience.

Cooking & dining - great places to eat & drink

Nearest pub

The Robin Hood Inn

Gloucester Road, Castlemorton, Malver,
Worcestershire, WR13 6BS
01684833212

The Inn is a fantastic pub located just outside Ledbury. They have a large, homely bar and a dining area, perfect for sampling the delicious menu. During the summer, why not sit the large beer garden, whilst enjoying a relaxed evening, with the stunning view.

Best pubs

The Swan

Hanley Swan, Nr Malvern, WR8 OEA
www.thehanleyswaninn.com

A fantastic gastro pub, in an excellent location, for enjoying a drink with a beautiful view. The food here is well worth trying.

The Feathers

25 High Street, Ledbury, Herefordshire, HR8 1DS
www.feathers-ledbury.co.uk

Is the perfect place to relax, with an exceptional wine menu and an ever expanding whiskey list. The lounge is ideal for curling up by the fire in the winter months and the beautiful garden perfect in the summer.

The Swan

Ledbury Rd Cres, Staunton, Gloucestershire GL19 3QA
01452 840323
www.swanstaunton.co.uk

This friendly, lively pub, is extremely warm and inviting. Offering a great selection of ales and wines. The food menu is worth checking out too!

The Retreat

7 High St, Ledbury HR8 1DS
01531 632766

Set in the beautiful town of Ledbury, this traditional pub is a great place to grab an ale and play pool. There is a pretty beer garden, perfect for pimm's in the sunshine and the food menu offers some homemade, locally sourced dishes.

The Horseshoe Inn

The Homend, Ledbury, Herefordshire HR8 1BP
01531 632770

This rustic looking pub, is homely and friendly. They offer a wide selection of ales and are also well known for making the best wood fired pizzas.

Cooking & dining - great places to eat & drink

Best restaurants

Three Choirs Inn

Newent, Gloucestershire GL18 1LS
01531 890223
www.three-choirs-vineyards.co.uk

Nestled in 30 hectares of vineyard, this incredible restaurant offers delicious food, accompanied by incredible wine.

Corse Lawn House Hotel

Corse Lawn, Gloucester, GL19 4LZ
01452 780771
www.corselawn.com

The restaurant offers authentic, fantastic British cuisine and the menu is based around seasonal, local produce. The staff here are all extremely friendly and knowledgeable, offering advice on suitable wines according to the dish chosen.

Butchers Arms

Lime St, Gloucester GL19 4NX
01452 840381
www.thebutchersarms.net

This Michelin Starred gastropub, offers a fantastic atmosphere as well as excellent dining. The menu is a selection of British classics with modern twists. A must visit!

The Inn At Welland

Drake Street, Welland, Malvern, Worcestershire, WR13 6LN
01684592317
www.theinnatwelland.co.uk

This open planned and stylish pub, is a mix of rustic charm and deigner touches. Expect pub classics and sandwiches, alongside generously sized modern British dishes, as featured in the michelin guide.

Outlook

The Cottage in the Wood, Holywell Road, Malvern Wells, Worcestershire, WR14 4LG
01684 588860
www.cottageinthewood.co.uk

The stunning views aren't the only feature at Outlook, this award winning restaurant has a comprehensive menu designed around its local suppliers.

Old Rectifying House

North Parade, Worcester, WR1 3NN
01905 619622
www.theoldrec.co.uk

As featured in the michelin guide, this friendly restaurant provided fine dining in a laid back environment. The food here is excellent with emphasis on seasonal and locally sourced produce.

Venture Inn

Main St, Ombersley WR9 0EW
01905 620552
www.theventurein.co.uk

A fantastic restaurant with a beautiful simplistic, yet innovative menu. All meat and fish are carefully sourced and are all smoked expertly in house.

Cooking & dining - shopping for food

Supermarkets

Tesco

Orchard Lane, Ledbury, Herefordshire, HR8 1DQ
0345 6779415
www.tesco.co.uk

Waitrose

Edith Walk, Great Malvern, WR14 4WR
01684 560007
www.waitrose.com

Wine merchants

Hay Wines

11 High Street, Ledbury, Herefordshire, HR8 1DS
01531 634449
www.haywines.co.uk

Stocks wine to suit all occasions. They cater to dinner parties, too, and can offer advice on which wines to pick, plus they can deliver to the house. Contact them for further details.

Delicatessens

Four Oaks Fine Foods

70 The Homend, Ledbury, Herefordshire HR8 1BX
01531 631979
www.four-oaks.co.uk

Has a good range of French, Spanish, Italian and British luxury foods. Hams, game, poultry and fish are all available, plus they can put you in touch with some excellent local caterers.

Bakery

Homend Bakery Shop

46 The Homend, Ledbury HR8 1BT
01531 632827

Homend Bakery Shop is a traditional, locally run bakery, with a vast selection of breads, cakes, pastries as well as savory options, that are all freshly prepared and baked in store.

Butchers

Ben Morton Meats

The Butchers Shop
Ledbury Road, Staunton, Gloucestershire
01452840572

This fantastic butchers offers a huge range of freshly cut and locally sourced produce.

Things to do - activities & pampering

Outdoor activities

Malvern Outdoor Elements

Old Hollow, West Malvern, Worcestershire, WR14 4NR
01684 574546
www.malvernoutdoors.co.uk

Lots of activities to choose from here: quad biking, raft building, target shooting, tree trekking and adrenaline experiences. You can choose to do one of the activities or even opt for a multi-activity package.

Wye Canoes

Ye Old Ferrie Inn, Symonds Yat West, Ross-on-Wye, Herefordshire HR9 6BL
01600 890027
www.wyecanoes.com

Want to Canoe? Offer an opportunity to paddle your way down the River Wye, where you will expect to see spectacular views. There are several different routes as well as pick-up points and camping can be arranged between locations on request.

Horse riding

Hayeswood Riding

Redmarley D'Abitot, GL19 3NJ
07799 740820
www.hayswoodequestrian.co.uk

Hayeswood Riding is a small horse riding centre, located right on the edge of the Forest of Dean. They offer riding lessons for all abilities, in a large outdoor arena and they have fantastic opportunities for trekking in the Forest of Dean.

Landrover Experience

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The Bothy, Ledbury, Herefordshire HR8 1RL
01531 638779
www.eastnor.landroverexperience.co.uk

This is an exhilarating way to explore the countryside at high speed. The perfect day out for adrenaline junkies! There are a variety of options available, including full days, half days as well as night time driving,

Hot air ballooning

Wicker World

01889 882222
Eastnor Castle, Ledbury, HR8 1RL- 20 miles
www.wickerworld.co.uk

One of the best ways to experience the gorgeous Herefordshire and Worcestershire countryside, is from up above. Taking off in nearby Ledbury, you will rise up above the historic Eastnor Castle and glide over the patchwork fields and wooded vales, which make up the quintessence of these two great counties.

Things to do - activities & pampering

Malvern Theatre

Grange Rd, Malvern, Worcestershire WR14 3HB
01684892277
www.malvern-theatres.co.uk

A fantastic venue with excellent facilities, the theatre boasts a highly diverse range of music, plays, comedy, dance and many more. For film fanatics head to the cinema for a selection of new releases.

Tennis, squash and gym

Ross on Wye Tennis Centre
Ashfield Park Road, off Walford Road HR9 5AR
01989 566607

Excellent facilities, offering a variety of programmes and lessons for all ages and abilities.

Pampering

Wye Valley Spa
Leys Hill, Ross-on-Wye, HR9 5QU
01600 890109
www.wyevalleyspa.co.uk

The Wye Valley Spa is set in an exquisite, private location in the Wye Valley. They offer a selection of spa treatments, luxurious facilities and excellent food also.

The Malvern Spa
Groewood Rd, Malvern, Worcestershire WR14 1GD
01684 898290

This finalist of the Best Spa award in the Midlands and east, offer a huge variety of spa treatments as well as access to a hydrotherapy pool and a 22m indoor swimming pool. The facilities here are brilliant and you're really spoilt for choice with treatments and packages.

Top things to do with children

Clearwell Caves

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The Rocks, Coleford, Gloucestershire GL16 8JR
01594 832535
www.clearwellcaves.com

Clearwell caves are a working mine museum, exhibiting impressive hand created caverns as well as the tools and machinery used to create them. This is a fantastic day out for the family!

Visit a Butterfly Zoo

Wye Butterfly Zoo

Jubilee Park, Ross on Wye, HR9 6DA
01600 890360
www.wyevalleyvisitorcentre.co.uk

You can walk with butterflies from around the world. Wye Valley Butterfly Zoo is indoors, it's tropical and it's teeming with exotic butterflies. Living butterflies fly around as you discover their fascinating lives in close-up. They're amazing!

Go Ape

GoApe

Mallards Pike Lake, Lydney, Gloucestershire GL15 4HD
0845 643 9215
goape.co.uk

This award winning forest activity set 15m above the ground, is an exhilarating adventure. From leaping off a platform, to rope walks and zip wires, there is an activity for everyone.

Dick Whittington Farm Park

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Little London, Longhope, Gloucestershire GL17 0PH
01452 831000
www.dickwhittington.org

The perfect location for a fun family day out with plenty to see and do. From nature trails to tractor rides, giant sand pits and soft play areas. There is something for everyone.

Explore Eastnor Castle

Eastnor Castle

Eastnor Castle, Ledbury, HR8 1RI
01531633160
www.eastnorcastle.com

Eastnor Castle is a 19th-century revival castle, by the village of Eastnor. Currently in residence is the family of James Hervey-Bathurst. The castle is a Grade I listed building. The grounds are the location of the Land Rover vehicle test track, allowing visitors the chance to try off-roading in the company's latest models.

Top places to visit & shop nearby

Hereford

With a friendly market town atmosphere, Hereford is the market and commercial centre of Herefordshire farming communities for hundreds of years.

Hereford is a lovely city with a lively feel. There are lots of things to do, not least indulging in some shopping! Wander around the independent stores in the historical centre and call in to the prestigious Old Market, built on the site of the old livestock market. The livestock market has a new, modern home just outside Hereford on Roman Road featuring regular auction sales of the region's livestock.

Why not soak up the rich historic heritage by visiting The Old House, the striking black and white veneer is prime example of Jacobean architecture or head to the Cathedral and gaze upon its magnificence.

The Old House

High Town, Hereford HR1 2AA
01432 260694
www.herefordshire.gov.uk/museums

The Cider Museum Hereford

Pomona Place, Hereford HR4 0EF
01432 354207
www.cidermuseum.co.uk

Old Market Shopping Centre

Newmarket St Hereford HR4 9HR
01432 264109
www.oldmarkethereford.co.uk

Ross-on-Wye

Draped on a hill, the centre of Ross is rapidly gaining a reputation as a town that celebrates independent shops. From clothing and couture to furnishings, food, and fantastic places to stop and unwind – it's a thriving place for those who prefer their high street a little less corporate.

There's a rich local history in these 'ere parts with the 17th Century Market House in the very centre of Ross still sheltering twice weekly markets beneath its sandstone arches.

There's no mistaking Ross-on-Wye in south Herefordshire as a market town. St Mary's Church spire has shaped the skyline of Ross-on-Wye for over 700 years.

Wilton Castle and Gardens

Wilton, Ross-on-Wye, HR9 6AD
01989 565759
www.wiltoncastle.eclipse.co.uk

Ross Old Books

51-52 High St Ross-on-Wye, HR9 5HH
01963 350917

Tudor Sweets

Tudor House, High Street, Ross-on-Wye HR9 5HL
01989 566449
www.tudorsweetsofross.com

Ledbury

Nestled at the foot of the Malvern Hills, Ledbury is a haven for poetry and culture. The area has seduced its fair share of notable Poets. It's not hard to see why. Big enough to be bustling and vibrant, but small enough to keep a strong sense of community, Ledbury is a market town with a unique feel. Ledbury's market hall is one of the finest examples in England and still hosts markets on Tuesdays and Saturdays.

The Market Theatre

Market St, Ledbury, Herefordshire HR8 2AQ 07967 517125

www.themarkettheatre.com

Handley Organics

31 The Homend , Ledbury, Herefordshire, HR8 1BN 01531 633448

www.handleyorganics.co.uk

Useful information

Midsummer Barn & Stables at a glance

Bedrooms and Bathrooms

- Sleeps up to 12 guests
- Midsummer Stable sleeps eight in four bedrooms
- Midsummer Barn sleeps four, in two bedrooms

Cooking and Dining

- Dining table seats up to 12 guests comfortably
- Fantastic chef available for a special meal or throughout the weekend
- Drop-off meals available
- AEG cooker
- Induction hob
- Microwave
- Fridge
- Coffee Machine
- Washing machine and dryer

Where we are

- Herefordshire
- The postcode is HR8 1EU
- The nearest station is Ledbury, an 5 minute drive away
- The nearest airport is Birmingham International
- Taxis available
- Plenty of parking available

Things to do inside

- TV with freeview
- DVD player
- DVD library
- Wifi
- Children toys and board games

Things to do Outside

- Large garden
- 300 acres of land

Activities

- Quad biking
- Horse riding
- Fishing
- Golf
- Pampering and beauty treatments at the house

Useful information

Top Things to do for Children

- Llama trekking
- Shortwood family farm
- Broomy Hill miniature railway

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

- £1,000 refundable deposit

House restrictions

- Not suitable for stag parties
- Not suitable for hen parties
- Noise policy in place
- Dogs are welcome at a £50 additional charge per dog

Arrival and Departure

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

What's included

- Linen
- Towels
- Welcome Hamper
- Toiletries
- Essentials
- Log basket