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# Blackers Hill Farmhouse Guest Pack

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- 1. Key things to know before your stay...
- 1. If you are planning to book any spa treatments during your stay, I would recommend you contact Emilia (Mowhay) or Jo (Serenity) directly as they do fill up weeks in advance. All details are available on the website along with bespoke packages. Please let them know you are staying at the house.
- 2. We also have a pizza oven and BBQ on the decking. It's great fun so feel free to bring some pizzas. We supply one small bag of charcoal which is enough for 1 evening. If you would like to use more than this please ensure you bring more.
- 3. Inside this guest pack and on our website we have a range of local shops that you can order special food boxes from. However Ocado, Sainsbury's, Tesco and Asda all deliver to the house. Please book a slot, if this is your plan, when you will be at the house.
- **4**. We supply bathroom towels for each guest. However we do recommend bringing your own for the hot tub so that your bath towel is then not wet for your shower later on.
- **5**. You will be provided with 1L of milk from the farm which is full fat. If you need another type there is a coop in the village.
- 6. Directions: the postcode BA3 4JF brings you right to the farmhouse. However if you need more detailed directions please just ask. As you arrive you will drive down Coal Pitt Lane. You will arrive at a long grassy driveway with a sign at the entrance. Come down the drive and the farmhouse is the large house on your left. There is parking for 3-4 cars in front of the house and 2 more on the gravel at the end of the drive.
- 7. We do have dogs ourselves (they will be behind the other farm gate as you arrive). However if you have any concerns because of the dogs please let us know beforehand and we will ensure they are inside.
- **8**. Inside the house is a house guide. You will find all instructions in there along with safety instructions. Our numbers are also there but in case you wish to save it, my number is: 07989264381 (Emma).
- **9**. The local coop is found in the village about one mile away. To get there; Come to the top of the drive, turn right and at the T junction take the left, down Stockhill road. At the end of that road is the co op. The opening hours are 7am-9pm currently (May go back to 10pm shortly). You can get most items there.

- **10.** Our website has a 'things to do' section (also added at the end of this pack) and offers links on the website to all of them.
- 11. Finally we hope you have the most amazing stay. I will be there to greet you on arrival and pass you the keys, so if you could send me a rough ETA that would be amazing. We ask that **check in is between**4-9pm, after I let you in we will leave you to your stay, but as above, if you have any issues please just say so we can rectify it as soon as possible. Your check out time is 11am on the last day of your stay.

#### 2. House rules

Please inform us of any breakages, losses or damage to the property as soon as possible so we can endeavor to rectify during your stay.

If at any point during your stay there are any issues with appliances or the house please contact us asap so we can come and deal with these as soon as possible.

To take all reasonable and proper care of the property and leave it in a clean and tidy condition at the end of the tenancy. Particular attention must be given to the kitchen, ensuring that all equipment and utensils are left clean and tidy.

During your stay we request that you are considerate towards our neighbours by ensuring the house and grounds are quiet **from 12am** and ensure no loud music is played to a point it causes disruption. We request that no parties are held within the property during your stay.

If you have guests onsite please ensure they park within your parking area and do not stay overnight unless previously agreed with us.

Smoking is prohibited throughout the house, decking area and gardens. Please use the nominated smoking area to the side of the house on the stoned pavement area.

Ensure all outside lighting is switched off at night and when you leave the property during the day.

Pets are allowed within the property, however this excludes soft furnishings and bedrooms, pet owners are also asked to ensure all fouling is removed and disposed of responsibly within the house grounds. Please be aware that there are also other dogs within the estate so we do recommend keeping dogs on leads until off the grounds.

When you leave the property for the day please ensure the front door and windows are locked. Then the front door key is placed in the secure lock box (code found inside the main entrance).

Please be respectful that our family also live on site. We do ask above that there is no loud noise from 12am and that guests are not in the hot tub from this point.

# 3. House inventory and floor plan Kitchen: ☐ Microwave ☐ Kettle ☐ Toaster ☐ Dishwasher and tablets ☐ Oven and hobs ☐ Cafetiere

☐ Tea Pot
☐ Hand blender
☐ Caparal squagages and fruing

General saucepans and frying pans

☐ Cheese Board

☐ Tea Towels

Washing machine and tablets

☐ Washing up liquid and cloths

#### Bedrooms:

☐ Towels - bath sheet and hand towels (please bring your own for the hot tub)

Bedding - if requesting a travel cot please provide your own bedding for this

### Store Cupboard:

■ Mop and bucket

☐ Hoover

☐ Ironing board and Iron

☐ Clothes airer

Potty

☐ Hair Dryer x 1

Food Cupboard: we will leave the following items within the house to help you start your stay. However if possible please ensure that these are replenished where possible.

☐ Tea

☐ Coffee - instant

Sugar

■ Milk

☐ Eggs (½ dozen)

Salt and Pepper

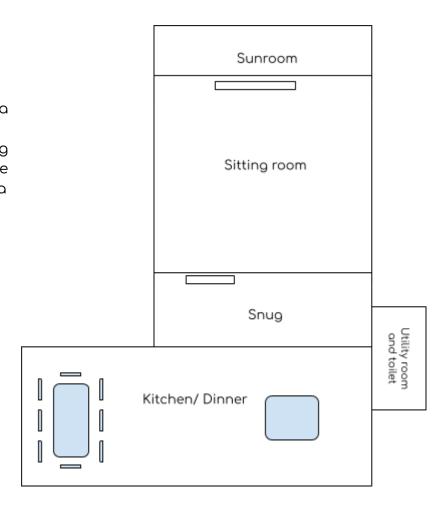
☐ Cooking oil

You will also be supplied with a welcome hamper full of somerset produce; local breads (sourdough loaf and a malted brown loaf), somerset apple juice, homemade jam, 2L of full fat milk from the village dairy and a locally made scrumptious sweet treat.

#### Blackers Hill Farmhouse Floor Plan

#### Ground Floor.

Main entrance into the porch with shoe storage. Entering the kitchen, inside there is a large dining table to seat 10 people with a log burner at the end of the room. The kitchen has a large island in the middle and comes with a range of appliances such as: american fridge/ freezer, dishwasher, microwave, 5 hob duel fuel rangemaster with two ovens and grill. Off the kitchen is a utility room with washing machine, sink and downstairs toilet. This room also has access to the decking and hot tub.



Next to the kitchen is a snug with a working fireplace and sofa. Going through from here you will enter the very large sitting room which has 3 sofas, extra chairs for seating, TV/ DVD, log burning fire at the end and a range of reading material and games for you to use.

At the far end of the house there is a doorway to the sunroom with a summer kitchen and fridge. This has double doors leading out on the main decking area with a range of seating, BBQ and Pizza oven, the gardens and the hot tub.

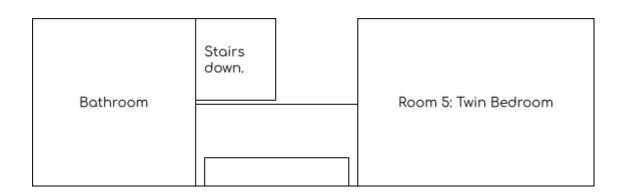
#### First Floor Ensuite Room 1: Large double four poster bed, large ensuite with bath. This room overlooks Room 2: Double Bedroom the front of the house and the extensive driveway and farmland. Room 3: Double Room 2: Bedroom Large antique french double bed with shower Ensuite ensuite. Overlooks the back of the house and gardens. Room 4: Double Bedroom Room 3: Antique french double bed Stairs with shower ensuite. This Stairs up to down. room overlooks the side of attic. the house and gardens. Room 4: Room 1: Double Antique painted french bed Bedroom Bathroom with views over the side of the house and gardens. Ensuite

Bathroom: Large family

bathroom with roll top bath and spa shower.

#### Second Floor

**Room 5:** Top floor area, separated into two areas. Bedroom has a pair of french antique single beds and the bathroom has a roll top slipper bath with views out the window through the wooded valley.



#### 4. Things to consider booking before your stay

Please ensure if you wish to pre-order any boxes, treatments or swimming pool sessions that you contact the company directly with enough time as they can get quite busy.

#### MOWHAY: Spa treatments.

Mowhay Treatment Booking

Manor Farm, Church Lane, Chilcompton, Somerset, BA3 4HP

info@mowhaytreatments.com T: 01761 417149 M: 07891262929



#### Serenity Massage Therapies: Spa treatments - at the house.

#### Introduction

Serenity Massage Therapies was set up by myself Jo Wilkins. I decided to retrain in therapeutic massage to help provide effective treatment for individuals. Having had numerous massages over the years by poorly trained therapists, I would often leave a treatment still feeling achy and stiff, full of knots in my shoulders and therefore wasted a lot of time and money. I wanted to establish a business offering high standard of treatments which actually work & get rid of tension, knotted muscles and aches/pains. I started my initial training at Devon Academy (which has the reputation of being one of the best massage training providers in the country) covering ITEC Level 3 in Therapeutic Massage/Swedish Massage/Body Massage- which was very thorough. I have gone on to expand my knowledge and experience further with other treatments from other training providers and by continuing to train/study and explore new techniques. If I can help improve someones day by getting rid of their aches & pains then that is a good result for me! I am a Member of the Federation of Holistic Therapists (FHT) and have certificates/qualifications for all the massage treatments provided. I have also been qualified in Allergy testing since 2005 (DIP BER).



Please see the farmhouse website page for more options and individual treatments.

#### Freckles & Boo: Organic food boxes

We have paired up with Freckles and Boo (a local organic farm shop). They have designed a variety of food boxes for you to pre-order to cater for your stay. From single meals for groups such as a steak night or roast dinner to simply a wonderful selection of vegetables, fruit or meat. Please see their page on our website and place an order before your stay and they can deliver directly to the farmhouse.

#### Farmshop Boxes

We have a selection of organic boxes available to be delivered to the house. They are all local produce and if there are any changes you need you can speak directly to them and Tara or Gavin can swap some items for you. To order please contact them directly using details at the top of this page

#### £15 Arrival Box

Loaf of freshly made bread (white or brown), free range eggs x 6, Maryland Butter, Barbers Cheese (choose from mellow, mature, vintage or red Leicester) and Somerset local honey.

#### Fruit Box Small

Bananas x4, apples x4, pears x4, oranges x2, lemon x1 and lime x1.

#### Fruit Box Large

Bananas x6, apples x6, pears x6, oranges x4, lemon x2 lime x2 and

#### Summer Fruit Box Small

Punnet of strawberries, punnet of raspberries, 3x plums, 3x nectarines, 2x peaches, 2x kiwi fruit, green grapes, 1x lemon and 1x

#### Summer Fruit Box Large

Punnet of strawberries, punnet of raspberries, 3x plums, 2x nectarines, 2x peaches, 3x kiwi fruit, green grapes, 3x lemon, 3x limes, 4x apples, 3x oranges and 4x bananas.

#### Salad and Veg Box Small

Iceberg lettuce, cucumber, spring onions, tomatoes (500g), mushrooms (250g), swede, carrots (500g), onions (500g) and potatoes (1k).

#### Salad and Veg Box Large

Iceberg lettuce, cucumber, spring onions, tomatoes (750g), mushrooms (300g), leeks x2, red pepper x2, uellow pepper x2. swede, parsnip, carrots (1kg), onions (1kg) and potatoes (1.5k).

#### Seasonal Veg Box Large

Cucumber, spring onions, tomatoes (500g), cauliflower, asparagus, garlic bulb, savoy cabbage, sweet potatoes, red pepper, green pepper, yellow pepper, courgettes, carrots (650g), onions (500g) and new potatoes (500g).

#### Luxury Boxes

We know that during your stay you may wish to treat yourself to some local produce. So here are some other boxes for you to enjoy. Once ordered the boxes will be delivered to the farmhouse either on the Friday or Saturday depending on which day you order.

£30

£45

#### Breakfast Box

Pork sausages x 6, Bacon rashers x 6, Free range eggs x 6, Organic baked beans, Mushrooms &Tomatoes

#### Ploughman's Picnic Box

Sourdough, Barbers cheese x 2 (choice of mellow, mature, vintage or red Leicester) & Cam Valley Ham, Rose Farm Chutney for cheese, Mr Filberts olives (choice of chilli & black pepper or Garlic &

oregano), Rose Farm pickled onions, Natural & Delicious vegetable crisps, Li5le Jack Horner pork sausage roll, green grapes

Including a bottle of Wraxall White, Rose or Red £43.50

Wraxall Sparklina Rose or White £54.50

#### Cheese and Wine Box

£22

£20

£12

£22

£22

2 packs of the following Fine Cheese Company Crackers: basil, chive, chilli lemon & sea salt. 3 of the following from White Lake cheese: Bagborough Brie, Driftwood, Equinox, Heart of Gold, Solstice, Tor & Evie or Barbers cheddars. 2 pickles from the following: Rose Farm Chutney for cheese, Rose Farm Hot Tomato Chutneu, Rose Farm Harvest Chutneu, Bau Tree Glorious Garlic Pickle, Bay Tree Real Ale Chutney, Bay Tree Tangy Poachers Chutney. Grapes and a Bottle of Wraxall White,Rose or Aldwick





To place an order with Tara & Gavin please contact her on:

Mobile: 07506363929

E-mail: <u>theteam@frecklesandboo.co.uk</u>

Open Tuesday to Saturday 9am–5pm and Sunday 10am–2pm

Silver Street Bakery: on our website there is a page for this wonderful local bakery. You can pre-order items and boxes of treats. All items are made to order so please ensure orders are with Sam & Rachel at least 2 days before you arrive.

#### About us

We are a small family business based in Somerset, and we love to bake! We can't keep eating it all ourselves, so we would like to share with you.

if there is one thing we have learned from lockdown is that local produce is the best! Not only is it available just up the road (*cutting down the carbon footprint*) it's much better quality! During lockdown we have been able to source local suppliers for our eggs from Norton Hill Farm, milk from Simple Cow and amazing Organic flour from Shipton Mill based in Tetbury. The Sourdough ferment keeps growing, as does our garden, which is blooming with blossom on the fruit trees and the veg patch is coming along nicely. Hopefully homemade jams and chutneys coming soon! Fingers crossed.

So during your stay at Blackers Hill Farmhouse why not order some of our wonderful bread or treats.

To make an order please contact us direct (please give us 2 days notice as sourdough takes extra time to make) and we can ensure it is delivered to the farmhouse for your stay.

CONTACT: Sam <u>silverstreetbakery@gmail.com</u> 07712188022 Silver Street, Midsomer Norton, Somerset BA3 2EY



#### 5. Local amenities, places to visit & local pubs

**Food deliveries**: the farmhouse can be used on all major supermarket deliveries. Please use the house postcode and ensure you are in the property at the time you have booked for the delivery.

Co op: in the village there is a co op. It is open 7am-9pm and has all your basic needs including a post office. off licence and bakery.

**Simple Cow:** 1L of fresh village full fat milk will be provided for you from Simple Cow. However if you run out please take our glass bottles to the milk vending machine, which is found opposite the Redan Inn, in the village hall car park, to refill. Each bottle is £1.20 to fill and supports our village dairy farm.

Wells market: every Saturday in Wells there is a fantastic popular somerset market. There are many food stalls and a variety of wonderful local products to buy. A great place to get a range of different world foods and it also has a large fish stool. The market is open from early till about midday.

**Redan Inn:** our local pub in Chilcompton. Great food and large outside area. Great range of gins!

On our website we have a wide range of things to see and visit. I have categorised them for the guests to allow you to see urban and rural ideas as well as pubs and food. We are also happy to help with suggestions and I am always happy to research something for a particular requirement.

#### 6. Bookable extras

We have collated a selection of activities that can be booked at the house or closeby for ideas for any special occasion at the house.

#### Based at the house:

- 1. **Mowhay spa treatments:** individual treatments or packages to pamper individuals or pairs. Based in the village at a day spa.
- 2. **Mowhay pamper sessions:** this is for groups where you can learn how to give the perfect massage, facial or even make up session.
- 3. **Serenity Massage Therapies**: Jo can be booked to come to the house and provide a wide range of therapies (see our website).
- 4. **Andre's Kitchen:** Andre is a fantastic Chef that can be booked to come and cook at the farmhouse. A wide range of stunning dishes to suit the occasion.
- 5. **Thirsty Bee**: cocktail making lessons, gin tasting, beer and cider tasting and personal barman sessions.
- 6. **Goldfinch Floral Studio**: learn to make amazing one off floral crowns or living wreaths.
- 7. **Wild wellies**: have a go at wellie throwing and a range of fun and silly activities in the gardens.
- 8. **Vintage Bee:** have a go at making a liberty print necklace, applique bags or pictures.
- 9. **Amy Young:** A range of Dance lessons to meet a variety of styles and requirements.
- 10. **Life Drawing:** Learn how to draw a nude life drawing, based at the house with Ben.
- 11. **Body Balance Clinic:** you can have your own Yoga or Bootcamp session at the house (outside if nice).
- 12. **Keepers:** Make and decorate your own lampshade or upcycle a piece of furniture.

#### Away from the house:

- 1. Bath Thermal Spa
- 2. Wraxall Vineyard tour and tasting
- 3. Caving or rock climbing at Cheddar Gorge
- 4. Longleat safari
- 5. Clay pigeon shooting
- 6. Thatchers cider tasting
- 7. Golf lesson or driving range
- 8. Escape room in Shepton Prison
- 9. Escape room in Cheddar The Vault
- 10. Lavender field picking (seasonal)
- 11. Wells Cathedral High tour
- 12. Bath river adventure tours
- 13. Indian food cooking lessons
- 14. Dance lessons
- 15. Horse riding lesson

# Feel free to contact us directly to discuss anything above and I will help as much as I can.

#### Places to visit: Cities and Houses

#### Bath



Our nearest large city is Bath. With its Roman baths, spas, shops, restaurants, cinemas, theatres its the city to visit. There are buses which run from the village or within a 20 minute drive you can be there.

# Wells



This small city has a variety of shops, cafes and the cathedral and Bishops
Palace are well worth a visit. There is a bus from the village or the drive is about 15
minutes.

#### Bristol



Bristol can be access by car. The city is only 30 minutes away and has many things to do over a day. With the river, galleries, museums and harbourside you may need to go again!

#### Frome



Frome is only a short drive away. The town has many quirks and some beautiful cobbled street full of independent shops. The cheese and grain hold music events and also dramatic productions. The monthly market brings people form all ground.

#### Clarks Village



Close by in Street you can have a day out shopping at Clarks Village. With a wide range of shops (over 90 designer shops) and places to eat you can stay as long as you like.

#### Kilver Court



With over 40 designers onsite this shopping site offers up to 70% off retail price. There is a fantastic. cafe onsite and the gardens and nursery are wonderful. Mulberry also have a shop onsite.

#### Places to visit: Countryside

#### Cheddar Gorge



The gorge has some truely amazing walks and if you move down into the village you have the caves too. The village has a range of lovely little shops.

#### Chew Valley Lake



This stunning lake has lovely walks around it and even a great fish and chip restaurant. You can feed the ducks and bird watch all day.

#### Glastonbury Tor



Glastonbury Tor has always been surrounded in mystery, find out about some of the leaends of the tor.

#### Mendip Hills



This is one of England's most special places – the limestone Mendip Hills punctuated by spectacular gorges and rocky outcrops. On the hilltops there are hundreds of ancient monuments, whilst on steeper slopes flower rich grasslands and wooded combes offer varied habitats for a wide variety of wildlife.

## Longleat Safari Park



Within a 25 minute drive you can experience a drive through safari and visit the stately home too. Longleat is a fantastic day out for all the family. Just remember that you can by pass the monkeys!

#### Stourhead National Trust



Explore the 1,072 hectare (2,650 acre)
Stourhead estate where chalk downs,
ancient woods and farmland are managed
for wildlife. This world famous garden and
stunning house are accessible by car.

#### Places to eat & drink

#### The Redan, Chilcompton



This is the local pub. The food as great and they offer a range of 90 gins! The outside space is great too.

#### The Mendip Inn, Shepton



Just along the A37 towards Shepton this pub is easy to get to and has a great range of pub food in a nice cosy atmosphere.

#### The Litton, Litton



The Litton is a few miles away but its well worth having a nominated driver for the great food and atmosphere.

#### The Pig, Bath



This is a place where everything is driven by produce from the garden -on any given day. The menu is all within 25 miles!

#### The Talbot, Mells



This pub has an amazing menu and onsite there is even a grill room. The menu is entirely seasonal and with local products.

#### Horse and Jockey, Binegar



This local pub is small but does some great pub food. The staff are lovely and will always welcome you.

#### Things to do

#### Wraxhall Vineyard



This wonderful vineyard is just the other side of Shepton Mallet off the A37. You can book tours and tasting direct with them and experience some of the finest wines

Somerset has to offer.

#### Farrington Golf Course



Why not have a round of golf or head to the driving range to see how far you can hit it. Great for the most experienced golfer and for those having a go for the first time.

#### Mendip Shooting



This is a clay shooting range. You can book a session as a beginner or as a more experienced shooter. They offer sessions to groups and also individuals can join other sessions.

#### Wooky Hole



Why not head over to visit the local caves and their legends. Try to find the witch in the caves!

#### Rectory Farm Trekking



Are your customers raving about you on social media? Share their great stories to help turn potential customers into loyal ones.

#### Thatchers Cider



As you are in Somerset you may wish to also experience the local cider. Thatchers is made in Somerset and you can book tours, tastings and visit their own pub and shop on site.