



Welcome to The Gillygate

We are delighted to welcome you to The Gillygate, our family-owned and run pub. Thank you for choosing to stay with us.

We pride ourselves on making sure all our guests have a memorable stay - for all the right reasons! With nine individually designed guest bedrooms upstairs and a cosy and convivial pub downstairs, we like to think we really are a public 'house'.

You can rest assured that you'll be well fed and watered here, with us offering a handpicked selection of wine and beer behind the bar and, in our restaurant, the kind of food that makes you want to lick the plate! (We'll forgive you if you do).

We want to make your stay as comfortable and enjoyable as possible, so if there's anything you need, please just ask any one of our friendly team.

Enjoy your stay and do come again - the door is always open!

Brian, Suzi, Mollie and Max Furey

(oh, and not forgetting Jet the Greyhound, who you'll often find roaming around the pub. He's a gentle soul and won't mind if you stroke him, or if you send him in another direction.)

A little bit of history ...

The beautiful City of York is one of England's most historic cities. Our pub is situated on one of the main routes into the City, known as 'Gillygate', which has a rich history of its own.

Many of our visitors (and some locals!) find confusion in the pronunciation of the street - is it 'Gillygate' or is it 'Jillygate'? Once you know the history, it all makes sense. Gillygate is named after *The Saint Giles Church* which once stood at the end of the street. This is why we use a soft 'J' instead of a hard 'G'.

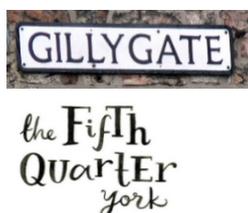
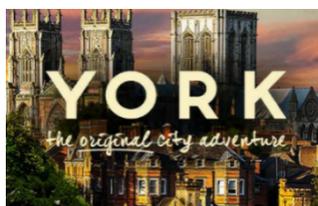
While you'll see evidence of Medieval York in much of the inner city, many of the streets just outside of the City Walls were badly damaged during a 1644 Parliamentary siege of the stubbornly Royalist York, including Gillygate, which was virtually destroyed.

After this, we lose Gillygate a little in the history books, however, we know that by the early 1800's, the street had been re-built and the Waggon and Horses Public House had opened - in the very building you stand in today! It was originally a Coaching Inn and has been run as a public house for over two centuries.

Printed on one of the walls downstairs is a list of The Gillygate's 'Inn-mates', our previous pub landlords. One of our rooms is actually named after one of these landlords, Mr Wright-Battye.

The building is a Grade 2 listed Victorian building and backs onto the city walls, from which you get a very photogenic tree-framed view of the West side of York Minster and the cathedral's tranquil grounds.

Today you will find a wide range of independent businesses in York and we are lucky to be surrounded by a number of these on Gillygate and Bootham. Enjoy discovering all the lovely boutiques, cultural marvels, and historical buildings we have to offer on our doorstep, and ask any one of us for recommendations.



During your stay with us...

Breakfast can be reserved for just £5 per person either at the time of booking or by letting us know the night before.

Breakfast is freshly prepared each day and is served from 8 - 9am and will be delivered to your door for you to enjoy in your room or bring out to the beer garden.

We offer a Breakfast Bag containing a breakfast roll of your choice, a selection of pastries, fruit and juice. Anything you can't fit in, you can take away with you to enjoy later in the day.

Bag storage - we are happy to store your bags securely after you've checked out, please just ask.

Checkout time is 10.30am.

Car Parking for accommodation guests is to the rear of the pub, for your use until check out.

Emergency - In case of emergency the landline number for the pub is 01904 654103, or please call 07506 713521 / 07841 706930.

Fire Safety - please familiarise yourself with the information on your bedroom door.

Hairdryers are available for your use. Please just ask at the bar.

Housekeeping - All rooms are deep cleaned, ventilated and sanitised before your arrival. Our laundry is professionally cleaned off-site and is thoroughly washed and disinfected. For your safety, we won't enter your room during your stay to freshen up the room with clean mugs, towels or extra tea and coffee. Please just help yourself to extras from the top up station on the 1st floor landing or ask at the bar. We are happy to provide extra towels for longer stays (but please also consider the environment).

Iron - There is an ironing board and iron available for use. Please just ask if you need it.

Kit Kats are provided in each room so you can enjoy part of York's rich heritage; chocolate made in the Nestlé factory, originally Joseph Rowntree's Chocolate Factory. Interesting fact: On certain days, you can smell chocolate (and Polos!) when you wander around the city - it comes from the Nestlé factory up the road from us.

Late entry - The main doors will be locked at 11pm. After that, you can access the back door using the code given to you on check-in.

Smoking (both cigarettes and e-cigarettes) is not permitted anywhere inside the building, including bedrooms. Please feel free to smoke in the garden - it's a much better option than setting off our fire alarms!

Tea & Coffee making facilities are provided in each room. Please just ask if you need more or would like some fresh milk.

Toilets - Please only put toilet paper down the toilets as our system cannot manage anything else and blockages will occur. We may have to charge you for an engineer callout if this happens and it is found to be something other than toilet paper that has caused the problem. Thank you for your understanding and co-operation on this.

Yorkshire Tea - We're proud to be in Yorkshire, what more can we say? Enjoy a cup of the good stuff while relaxing in your room.

Wi Fi - all our guests have access to free WiFi. We only ask that you refrain from downloading any hefty files so that everyone can enjoy speedy internet use.

Connecting is easy:

1. You simply need to connect to 'The Cloud' in the WiFi settings of your device
2. Once connected, open your web browser and refresh the page
3. You will see The Cloud landing page and here you can login/register with your account

Once logged in, you're good to go!

The Pub...

Bar - Our cosy bar serves a fantastic selection of wines, beers, ales, whiskeys, gins, rums..... and of course soft drinks too! You can even have a cuppa or a hot chocolate, if that's your 'tipple'!

Beer Garden - You'll find our little respite from city life located at the back of the pub overlooking the historic Bar Walls and York Minster.

Cycle Tours - York Cycling Tours operates from the back of The Gillygate Pub. Please visit www.yorkcyclingtours.com for more details or call 07866 049082 / 07908 245439 to book.

Dogs are very welcome in the pub and in some of our guest accommodation.

Dress Code - come as you are! (unless you're reading this after taking a bath...)

Food - a selection of Sourdough Pizzas, cooked in our own wood-fired pizza oven. If you can smell it, come and enjoy one with a cold beer or glass of wine!

Pizzas are served Wednesday to Sunday 3-9pm. For more information or to book a table, just ask at the bar.

Events - There are always plenty of things happening at The Gillygate to keep you entertained! Join us for a modern twist on the traditional pub quiz at our Wednesday night *Speedquizzing event*. We also hold regular wine, gin and whiskey tastings, and live music nights - you'll find all the latest info on our noticeboard, just next to the bar.

Keep up to date by following us on social media or go to our website and sign up to our newsletter. We promise never to share your data and only ever send interesting information or offers designed to tempt you to come back!



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Keep in touch - we love to hear from our guests, whether it's to give us feedback or to make another booking. We often run special deals for guests who book directly with us too, so hang on to our contact info if you think you might like to come again!

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Around York...

Taxis - Being so close to the city centre you may need no more than your own two feet to get around, but if you need a taxi, try Streamline (01904 656565) or 659 Taxis (01904 659659), or just ask one of the bar staff to book one for you!

What to do in York - There is so much to do in York: Museums, Boat Rides, Walking around the whole City on the Bar Walls, Shopping, Restaurants ... endless entertainment!

York Mix www.yorkmix.com is a brilliant website to visit for information on our beautiful city, to help you decide what to do while you're here.

There is also a *Visit York Tourist Information Centre* just down the road from us on the way into the city centre, where you can pick up leaflets on all sorts of exciting activities.

York is a wonderful city, so enjoy your stay, and please do not hesitate to ask us if there is anything we can do to make your stay with us more comfortable.