

Welcome to the Shepherd's Hut at Merrydown!

Steve, Annabelle and Jackie are the people to contact if you have any queries.

- Steve is available on 07970 291314
- Our house number is 01404 831334

Arriving at Merrydown

Check in: 3pm

Check out: 10.30am

When you arrive:

Please drive past the green buildings on your right, towards the field and stop in the yard.

Parking is in the carport. You will see it on your left. Please park in the left hand bay.

You will find the keys in our keysafe which is on the post in the carport.

The Shepherd's Hut is to the right as you look at the field.

We have a trolley available for luggage, if you would like to use it.

We ask you to remove your shoes just as you step into the shepherd's hut.

When you leave – please put the keys back in the key safe.

We hope you really enjoy your stay.

If you have queries about anything, places to visit, local information, clean bedding, rubbish removal etc please just ask when you see us or call.

Washing:

Please bring your own towels to use in the showers.

The 'out house' is just for your use and has a hand towel, toilet roll and hand soap provided with a cold tap to rinse your hands.

Rubbish:

For general rubbish, please use the silver bin under the sink provided.

Recycling:

Please place clean glass/plastic/cardboard in the area in the yard.

Compostable materials:

Please place in the bin provided.

Places to eat

Please contact the establishments to find out what they can currently offer.

[Old Inn, Kilmington ~ 01297 32096](#)

[Hunters Lodge, Axminster ~ 01297 33286](#)

[River Cottage HQ - 01297 630300 - Axminster](#)

[Grazing Cow - 01404 831114 - on the road to Honiton](#)

Takeaways - Axminster - some also have restaurants

Cinnamons – Indian – 01297 631175

Safar - Indian – 01297 631607

Le Pisani – Mediterranean 01297 631697

Golden House – Chinese 01297 34375

Lucky House – Chinese 01297 35100

Axe Valley Kebab House 01297 631102

The Lemon Plaice – Fish and Chips – 01297 35888

Systems to help you to stay safe – additional precautions.

- We have considered social distancing and ask that you respect 2m spacing.
- We ask that if possible, you bring hand sanitiser for your group to use during the stay.

We will ensure that we have followed the Airbnb cleaning protocols prior to your arrival.

We have provided additional cleaning spray and cloths for your use during your stay.

Visitors

We ask that you do not invite visitors into the shepherd's hut, please ask in advance if you would like to bring visitors to your garden area.

Useful information:

Nearest Doctors:

Axminster Medical Practice

01297 32126

Out of Hours – 111

Postcode - EX13 5AG

Nearest Minor Injuries Unit:

Honiton Hospital

01404 540540

(5 miles away) (open 7 days a week)

Postcode – EX14 2DE

The address is:

Merrydown

Old Taunton Road

Dalwood

Axminster

Devon

EX13 7QD

- ***Fuel*** – turn left out of the site and second left onto the main A35 (east).
- ***Dalwood Village*** – for the well stocked community shop and good pub - turn left out of the campsite and first left. Approx 30 minute walk.
- ***Axminster*** – turn left, second left and follow signs for a Railway Station/shops/TESCO/VETS/full range of takeaways/25 metre swimming pool.

Bus Routes:

Taunton Cross Bus Stop – on the A35 is a very short walk.

Number 4 Route gives hourly access to Axminster (this side of the road) and Honiton, Ottery St. Mary and Exeter (the other side of the road).

Trains from Axminster:

West – take the train to Exeter. In just over 30 minutes you will be in the city centre, close to the cathedral, shopping, restaurants, and cinemas.

East – take the train to Salisbury. In just over an hour you will be able to visit another fantastic cathedral, with more shopping, restaurants and cinemas.

Taxis - (we can search more if you ask):

Causley Cabs - Lyme Regis, Charmouth & Axminster Taxi Service

Phone: [01297 642011](tel:01297642011)

Axminster Cabs

Address: 43 Victoria Pl, Axminster EX13 5NQ

Phone: 01297 33055

Axminster Taxis

Address: 43 Victoria Pl, Axminster EX13 5NQ

Phone: [01297 34000](tel:0129734000)

Walks from the Merrydown:

We have a Dalwood Local Walks leaflet that you can borrow.

Please take care, our convenient location means that you will need to cross some busy roads before you reach your peaceful walk.

There are numerous local places that are perfect for walks such as Shute Woods which is just the other side of the main A35 so you can walk to it. It's easy to walk through these woods to Kilminster (stop for refreshments at the pub!)

There are plenty of country lanes around but if you don't mind a drive then you can enjoy some stunning scenery while you walk.

Most of these recommendations have the option of a short or longer walk.

[West Dorset](#)

Golden Cap; stunning walks along the Jurassic Coast with miles of footpaths and a small trek up to the trig point at Golden Cap. You can park at one of two National Trust car parks (with ticket machines).

Langdon Hill Woods (nr Morecombelake) has an all ability circular trail through the woods and then peels off through the fields up to Golden Cap; or park at Stonebarrow (nr Charmouth) where there are toilets and a seasonal shop. Stonebarrow has a flat gravel track for about 1 1/2 miles as well as footpaths all over the cliff (25 miles in total) that head up to Golden Cap for the more energetic.