

Greyfield Farm On-Site Facilities



Guide to Safe and Enjoyable Stay with your Children

We want your children to feel most welcome and to enjoy a happy and safe holiday here. After all some of our best adults started their lives as children. They are most welcome to use all of our facilities with your direct permission and under your supervision.

You will find a selection of suitable games and DVD's for your children in the information hut (IH on the Site Map). There are play parks in Bath (Victoria Park is particularly fine) and Radstock as well as walks in the woods at the bottom of the lane.



Warning Notice

Please do not allow them to play on the tarmac apron in front of the cottages because of the dangers from moving vehicles.



Guide to Safe and Enjoyable Stay with your Pet

We have had the pleasure of welcoming a great variety of pets to Greyfield over the years, varying from the exotica – pet hamsters, parrots and tortoises to the more usual canaries, cats and dogs.

We ask that all pet owners look after their pets and do not leave them to pine or damage the cottage (owners are liable for any damage done by their pets).

We expect owners to clean up after their animals, extra cloths and dog towels are available on request.

We are afraid that our Family Jack Russells can be a bit of a handful and be territorial when it comes to other dogs. We therefore try to keep them in their own garden where they are happiest and most content. We therefore ask our guests not to exercise their dogs directly next to the farmhouse as it can be very disruptive.



Warning Notice

Please keep your pet close to you at all times (dogs should be kept on leads when outside the confines of your cottage), particularly so when moving across the tarmac apron in front of the cottages because of the danger from moving vehicles. Please ensure that they have an identity disc in case they escape and get lost.



Guide to Safe and Enjoyable use of the Sauna

The Sauna (SA on the map) is the wooden detached chalet located behind the Spa Bathhouse (SP on the map) The sauna should be kept locked when not in use - To unlock push all the buttons on the lock to the forward position, then depress 3, 6, 7, 8

The sauna needs to be switched on 35 minutes before use, to allow it to reach its operating temperature.

The stove control switches are at the bottom on the front panel, under the guard rail.

- The on/off and timer is controlled by the knob on the right (closest to the door) and is graduated in hours, turn this clockwise to 1, which allows 35 mins to heat up and 25 mins for your use (Please adjust if you need longer).
- The temperature is controlled by the left switch (furthest from the door) and **MUST not be altered**. When the sauna is up to temperature the thermometer needle will be just past the red mark.



Warning Notice

Your Comfort - The sauna depends on air humidity. Once the sauna is up to temperature water may be ladled onto the rocks with care (no more than 2-3 ladles of water should be used in a 10 minute period). Water may be obtained from the Spa Bathhouse which is marked with a (SP) on the map of Greyfield Farm.

Children - The sauna is unsuitable for children under the age of 5, above this age, time in the sauna should be restricted to a maximum of 10 mins. All children **MUST** be accompanied by a responsible adult.

Pregnancy - If you are pregnant you should not use the sauna and any adult suffering from blood pressure or other ailments should consult their doctor before use.

Shower & Remove Make Up - For everyone's enjoyment we ask that all users of the sauna please shower and remove make up before using the sauna.

Shoes & Jewellery - Shoes and jewellery must not be worn in the sauna.

Usage Time - 10-15 mins is the recommended max time for continuous use and this can be measured on the wall timer.

Alcohol - The sauna heat may increase the effects of alcohol or medication. - Leave the sauna immediately if you feel dizzy or unwell.

After Use - Please lock and turn off the lights after use - Before locking check to make sure that the sauna is empty.



Guide to Safe and Enjoyable use of the Hot Tub

Uncovering the Bath - Release the 2 front child lock straps by pressing their centres.

Place one hand under the cover skirting between the spa and cover to break any vacuum seal that may have formed. Lift the front half of the cover and fold over onto the back half.

Standing by the hinge by the side of the bath gently guide the folded cover back into the rest position, fully opened and clear of the bath.

Important Any Problems - If you have any problems or the bath is cloudy or does not appear to be working please do not use and inform June, Jim, Beth or our housekeeper Nicky.

Control Panel - Located on the end nearest to the steps.

Left Hand Control - adjusts the temperature (**THIS MUST NOT BE TOUCHED**).

The Centre Control - provides internal light for the bath.

Upper Right Button - **Jet 1 Button** activates the hydrotherapy jet systems and is the on/off button for the bath.

Lower Right Button - Cleaning Cycle Button sets the bath onto its 10 min cleaning cycle.

After Use - please switch off the bath (**Jet 1 Button** - Control Panel Top Right), if you have used the internal light please turn it off (press the “-“ button repeatedly till the light turns off) and then replace the bath cover.



Warning Notice

Temperature Control - Do not adjust the temperature control on the control panel - The temperature control effects the chemistry of the bath which can cause the bath to be unusable and make the bath unavailable for our guests for several days.

Glasses - Do not take glass into the spa bathhouse as broken glass is dangerous and very difficult to remove.

Soaps, Oils & Shower Gels - Please shower before using the bath to remove any soaps, shower gels, hair gels or body lotions that may be on/in the skin/hair and do not use any soaps, shampoo or body lotion in the spa bath - as it will upset the water chemistry and will clog the filters.

Costumes or Nude - Please wear a swimming costume or bathe nude as other fabrics block the sensitive filter systems.

Babies & Small Children - The spa bath is unsuitable for babies and small children under the age of 5.

Children - All children must be accompanied by an adult at all times when using the bath - Remember water attracts children always replace the cover after using the bath.

Pregnancy - During pregnancy soaking in hot water may cause damage to the fetus. Limit use to 10 minutes at a time.

Alcohol & Medications - The spa heat speeds up the effects of alcohol drugs or medicine and can cause unconsciousness. Please leave the spa immediately if you feel uncomfortable or sleepy.

Test the Temperature - Test the water temperature with your hand before entering.



Guide to Safe and Enjoyable use of the Gym

Our Mini-Gym (MG on the Site Map) can be opened with the pink key on your key ring. Our equipment includes Cross Trainer, Rowing Machine, Exercise Cycle, Treadmill and Toning Table.



Warning Notice

Children - All children must be supervised in the gym, and equipment should only be used in accordance with the manufacturer's directions.

Gym Shoes - Clean indoor gym shoes should be worn.

Treadmill - Please note that when using the treadmill, the safety cord must be attached to your clothing.

After Use - After Use please turn off the machines, lights and lock the door.



Guide to Safe and Enjoyable use of the Gingerbread House and Barbeque Area

Our Gingerbread House (BH on the Site Map) is so named because it reminds us of a Hansel and Gretel Ginger Bread House. In reality it's an Arctic Winter House from Finland. Its purpose is to accommodate 3 men for an arctic winter whilst looking after the reindeer. It weighs 2 tons and is very well constructed. We use it as a winter party house and it's very popular. The Gingerbread House and the surrounding Barbeque area with Outdoor Barbeque, Picnic Table and Boule Court (BC on the Site Map) are there for your use all year round (it's also a great place to meet the animals).

The Gingerbread House is usually kept locked and the key can be obtained from the farmhouse (JJ on the Site Map) at the same time we will run through the use and safety points with you.

This area makes an attractive venue for parties and family gatherings (some additional plastic tables and chairs are available which can be placed on the Boule Court (BC on the Map) to provide extra seating for larger groups). Please enjoy it but help fellow guests by keeping it clean tidy and locked after use.

Charcoal - Like all of our other facilities the use of the Gingerbread House is free and whilst we do not usually supply charcoal for the Barbeque, we do keep a supply (mainly for our off season guests) and reserve the right to charge for its use.



Warning Notice

Booking the Hut - The Gingerbread house needs to be booked/reserved for a lunch/afternoon or evening slot (you can check availability and book the hut with us at any time).

Children - Children love the hut and the Barbeque Area because of its proximity to the animals. We do ask that all children are supervised in the barbeque area, remember barbeques are hot and dangerous.

Lighting the Barbeque - Only use lighting materials that are designed for Barbeque use or self lighting charcoal. **Never use Petrol.**

Keep it Locked - When an adult is not present please keep the hut locked.

After Use - After use please tidy the hut and return the key to us.



Guide to Safe and Enjoyable use of your Wood Burner

All of the cottages enjoy wood burning stoves in their lounges. As all the cottages are fully centrally heated and double glazed the log fires are intended to provide a cosy atmosphere in the winter evenings. We do respectfully ask our guests for their total cooperation in the use and supervision of the wood burning stoves.

Wood Collection - Dry Wood is provided free and should only be collected by an adult (LG on the Site Map). The wood should be taken from the top of the stack. Wood should not be taken from the pile by the paddock entrance as this is green wood weathering and providing a good habitat for beetles.

Please do enjoy your fire but remember to treat it with circumspection.



Warning Notice

Log Stores - On no account should children be allowed to play on the piles of wood as the logs are very heavy and unstable for climbing on.

Bucket at a Time - Please collect no more than a bucket of wood at a time and store this undercover. Do not build wood stores around or in the cottages.

Supervision - Wood fires must be supervised at all times and not allowed to burn unattended. The stoves are designed to operate with the front of the stove closed in order to burn properly.

Burn Safely - Only paper, wood and appropriate firelighters should be put in the stove. On no account should flammable liquids, plastics or painted wood or rubbish be burnt.

Be Careful it's Hot - Once the wood burner is alight it gets hot very quickly so use the tools provide to open/close vents and open the door. Also be careful and supervise children and pets in the vicinity of the wood burner.

Don't Smoke the Room - Open all the air vents before opening the door and ensure that the fire is drawing. This will stop smoke from discharging into the room.

In case of Alarm - If smoke or fumes from the fire sets off the carbon monoxide or fire alarms open the windows, close the fire down and if alert us to any problems.

Close the Fire Down - Close the Fire down by closing all the vents, this should be done before retiring for the night or going out - never leave an unattended fire.

If in Doubt Ask - When you arrived you should have been given directions on how to use the wood burners, if you were not or wish to us to go over it again, just ask we don't mind.



Ice and Snow - Driving

At Greyfield Farm whilst we try to ensure that the foot paths are kept gritted and clear during the winter, occasionally this is not possible so we urge all our guests to be extra careful in icy weather.

If you find yourself in need of extra salt/grit it is kept in the grit bin which is marked with a (S) on the site map.



Wireless Internet Access - Wi-Fi

On Site we have a guest wireless network Greyfield-Guest which you can connect your phone, kindle, nook, tablet, netbook or laptop to. Once you are connected to the network open a web browser and you should be presented with a logon screen (<http://aplogin.com>), after logging on you will get 24hrs free Wi-Fi internet access.

If you have any problems please let us know and we will try to help you connect.

We also have a printer on-site and can print documents for you (a charge may be made for this service).



The Greyfield Farm - Loan Computer

We have a couple of very old laptops that we can lend to our guests so that you can browse the internet and check your emails.

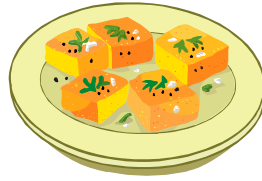


The Greyfield Farm - Tablets

Each cottage has an android tablet that that you can use to explore the area, browse the internet and check your emails.

Note: These machines are not toys and should be treated with respect, a fee of £170 may be incurred if you lose or damage one of these machines.

Our Local Area



Eating and Drinking

Somerset is still very much an agricultural county, this is reflected in the high quality of the local produce and the many wonderful places to eat around Greyfield Farm Cottages.

Local Cafes & Restaurants

0.5 miles - In the village of High Littleton we are lucky to have Haynes Fish and Chip Restaurant (highly thought of locally) which combines a traditional fish and chip shop with a small Cafe/Restaurant.

2.3 miles - In the centre of Timsbury you will find The Connies Tea Room which is open for breakfast, lunch, tea, coffee & cakes (closed on Monday).

2.9 miles - Just before you get to Hunstrete you will find the Pig, a bit more expensive than a regular gastropub, it is in Hunstrete House surrounded by its deer park. It goes for the shabby chic look; the food is local and very good (whilst you are there visit the walled garden where they grow some of the vegetables you will eat there).

3 miles - On the other side of Timsbury, we have Meadgate Farm Shop & Café which is open for snacks, coffee, tea & cake.

3.5 miles - The Farrington Gurney Farm Shop Cafe is child friendly and offers freshly cooked local food at affordable prices. With daily specials and vegetarian options, it sometimes gets busy so you may have to share a table. There is also a Playbarn (Soft Play) onsite which does snacks.

4.5 miles - Our local town of Midsomer Norton has the Jacarandas Coffee Shop in the High Street and around by the church if you have a special occasion fancy some fine dining you will find the Moody Goose (booking recommended).

4 miles - In the local village of Ston Easton the restaurant at Ston Easton Park is one of the best fine dining restaurants in the area and is of award-winning stature, its cellars are famed for their fine wines and vintages, whilst for everyday enjoyment there is an extensive range of New World and table wines.

6.1 miles - Between Bishop Sutton and West Harptree you will find the New Manor Farm Shop and Café which does nice lunches and afternoon tea.

6.2 miles - Just off Wally Lane in one of the Chew Valley Lake car parks you will find the Salt and Malt café and fish & chip shop. It is nice clean place with wonderful views over the lake open for both lunch and evening meals.

10.5 miles - The City of Bath has many good restaurants, we recommend the award winning Rajpoot in Bath is located just off Pultney Bridge for one of the best traditional Indian restaurants in the area, if you would like something more modern the Mint Room

on the Lower Bristol Road is also very good. We would also recommend the Cafe attached to The Fine Cheese Co in Walcot Street and Sally Lunn's close to Bath Abbey.

11 miles - The City of Bristol has many fine Cafes and Restaurants. But I would like recommend Bordeaux Quay down by the Harbourside which has its own cookery school and is highly recommended - good green credentials and geared towards local sustainable food.

11.5 miles - In Shepton Mallet you will find Whitstone Fish and Chips which like Haynes in the Village has both Restaurant and Take Away Services and is recommended. Also in Shepton you will find Kilver Court Farm Shop Cafe and the Shepton Brasserie.

13 miles - The City of Wells has Goodfellows/Sadler Street Cafe which combines award winning fish restaurant and patisserie. a delight, has some of the best food around and a lunchtime deal which includes meal, drink and cake. Also in Wells you have The Good Earth Cafe which offers good wholesome vegetarian food.

13.5 miles - Frome has the Dragon Pearl (the best Chinese Restaurant in the area, Sun-Thu it has a fixed price la carte buffet), Sams Deli on Stoney Street is good and it has some excellent independent Coffee Shop/Cafes - La Strada, Cafe Divas, The Bridge House and the Garden Cafe (Vegetarian).

14.5 miles - Bradford-On-Avon has the most wonderful Bridge Tea Rooms - great for a light lunch or even better full afternoon tea (or coffee) - Highly Recommended.

15.4 miles - Just off the A36 near Beckington you will find Whiterow Farm Shop Café and Fish & Chip shop. Provides lovely local food in a nice rural location.

18 miles - Glastonbury has a wonderful range of vegetarian and vegetarian friendly restaurants in particular I would recommend the Rainbows, Excalibur, Blue Note and the 100 Monkeys which are all in the High Street.

Pubs that do Food

0.7 miles - In High Littleton we have our local dog friendly village pub The Star Inn which does home cooked food and Sunday Lunches. Arrive early or book a table as they can get full.

1 mile - One of the closest pubs doing food (about a mile from Greyfield Farm Cottages) The Hunters Rest is set in beautiful countryside high on Clutton Hill with commanding views over the Cam Valley to the Mendip Hills. it was originally built around 1750 as a hunting lodge for The Earl of Warwick and in 1892, when the Earl sold his estate in Somerset, the former lodge became a tavern. It is now one of the most popular pubs in the area offering good food, real ale wood fires (winter only) and something for all the family with a large beer garden, family room, children's play area.

1.9 miles - The Old Station Inn in Hallatrow does good food and reasonable portions, you can even eat it in the old railway carriage (booking may be required).

2.2 miles - The Warwick Arms in Clutton has recently changed hands and is concentrating on providing good pub food.

3.5 miles - Situated in the tiny Hamlet of Stanton Wick The Carpenters Arms has been converted from a row of 17th Century miners' cottages. It overlooks the beautiful Chew Valley not far from the village of Stanton Drew with its Ancient Stone Circle. The Inns restaurant has a good reputation for their food.

5.2 miles - The Pony and Trap in Newtown is a lovely rural gastropub (1 Michelin star), the food is good (a bit pricy) and you need to book.

5.5 miles - The Litton (5.5 miles from Greyfield Farm Cottages), a 15th-century rural coaching inn standing on the B3114 at Litton (near Chewton Mendip) with a spacious beer garden and ample parking. Has recently been refurbished and we have had good reports on the new "trendy food".

6.5 miles - The Bear & Swan is centrally located in the picturesque village of Chew Magna. It has a good reputation for its food and maintains a warm & welcoming atmosphere making it an ideal place to visit whilst exploring the lakes. It is a large pub with spacious grounds and has always had a good reputation providing good food and real ale for locals and travellers alike.

7.6 miles - Located in Stratton Road in Holcombe, this is a lovely rural pub with good food (their suet pie of the day with buttered greens & potatoes is well worth trying).

10.5 miles - A bit further away (towards Frome) The The Vobster Inn (Lower Vobster, Nr Radstock, Somerset BA3 5RJ)
A lovely inn with a slightly Spanish flavour, well known locally for its fresh fish and delicious deserts, this welcoming pub is highly recommended and worth visiting.

12.1 miles - The George Inn in Norton St Philips is a wonderful building worth visiting just for a look and to sit in the garden (overlooking the cricket pitch and church), its bar food is a bit average but the location is great (there is a restaurant and I have had good reports from it but we have never eaten in it).

13.9 miles - Located in the centre of Frome (just off the Market Place) The Archangel is a nice pub with good food (service can be a bit slow).

14.4 miles - Just off the A36 in Rode is the Mill, which offers good pub food in a lovely riverside location a great place to go on a hot summer day.

18 miles - The George and Pilgrim in Glastonbury, built in the 1400s, is the oldest purpose built public house in the South West of England with impressive panelled stone frontage, mullion windows and old oak beams this is truly a fine and historic building. Serving traditional ales and snacks in The Pilgrim's bar and home-cooked meals in its restaurant with an a la carte menu.