



“ Rarely does a place ‘wow’ more than the photos, but this did! ”



once a hen house

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Sid the dog



our story

once a hen house is nestled within our garden. It was originally converted for somewhere for us to live while we renovated our home into an eco house.

We stripped everything back and converted the former chicken shed into a unique and contemporary living space. It was a real labour of love - and one which took some initial convincing from Johnnie to persuade me into the idea - everyone who came to visit us loved it and said we should rent it out as a holiday let.

It is light and spacious, with fantastic views and the perfect bolt hole in which to work, rest and play.

Our passion is to provide hen house guests with the ultimate hideaway. A comfortable and cosy home from home stay and guests are assured of a warm welcome!

Nicki & Johnnie

local area

A mere two and half hours from London, once a hen house is set in a rural environment, tucked away for a peaceful, relaxing break, yet an ideal location to explore all that the surrounding counties have to offer.

Ledbury is a busy market town with a wealth of individual shops and twice weekly markets. Its black and white architecture attracts visitors all year round and in July it holds the largest poetry festival in the country. Close by is the romantic Eastnor Castle with its beautiful grounds and deer park, and events held from Easter until the end of September.

The Three Counties showground at Malvern holds the popular RHS Spring Garden Show in May and the Royal Three Counties Show in June.

Cheltenham, famous for the National Hunt Race week in March and beautiful Regency architecture is only a half hour's drive away. Throughout the year it is also home to internationally-acclaimed Jazz, Science, Music and Literature Festivals.



Both Gloucester and Hereford Cathedrals are well worth visiting; Gloucester is one of the finest medieval buildings in the country and the burial place of royalty, and Hereford Cathedral is home to the Mappa Mundi.

The International Centre for Birds of Prey in nearby Newent is the oldest centre in the world dedicated to birds of prey. Here you can see the birds up close and witness the spectacle of them flying. Newent, famous for its wild daffodils, which grow in abundance in the surrounding woods and meadows, also holds an annual onion festival in September. Newent is home to the award-winning Three Choirs Vineyard, nestled in glorious Gloucestershire countryside, it is well worth taking a tour, sampling the wines and enjoying lunch or dinner in the brasserie.

During October the area around Much Marcle celebrates the English apple. Farms and cider mills are opened up and you can sample the delights of this delicious fruit including of course the scrumptious ciders and perrys associated with Herefordshire.



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Theatre goers have the choice of Malvern and the Everyman in Cheltenham, and Hellens Manor outside Ledbury holds classical events in a magical environment.

There is plenty for walkers to enjoy in the area; the Malvern Hills - with over 3,000 acres - in which to walk, and views across to the Severn Valley and Black Mountains on a clear day. May Hill with its distinctive summit of pine trees planted in 1887 to commemorate Queen Victoria's golden jubilee, and miles of footpaths through the beautiful Leadon Valley.

For the more adventurous there is canoeing down the River Wye at Symonds Yat and from here you can explore the Forest of Dean.





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You made us so welcome
and straight away
we felt at home*

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how to book

Please check availability
on our calendar and
complete the
booking form

DEPOSIT

A deposit of 25% is required to confirm your booking, payable by bank transfer.
Balance to be paid 2 weeks prior to your arrival.

CANCELLATION

If you have to cancel your booking within arrival, we will retain your deposit unless the accommodation.



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