

White House

"Gastro" Bed & Breakfast



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*Set in the peaceful countryside of North Shropshire just three miles from the market town of Oswestry and alongside the Montgomery Canal, White House offers superb accommodation and gastro cuisine from breakfast to evening meals. Dinner **always** offers a choice of two menus, one vegetarian and one meat based. (See Dining Section)*



All our rooms are en-suite and have LCD TV's with Freeview and DVD's, clock radios with iPod connections plus free broadband internet, tea and coffee facilities and a hairdryer. The Master Room also has Sky TV and bathrobes.

Enjoy a relaxing complementary afternoon tea or coffee, either in the courtyard, the resident's reception lounge or your room, as you please.



Wander in the almost seven acres of gardens and grounds or take a stroll along the Montgomery Canal towpath accessed via our private bridge then settle down to a two or three course evening meal in the dining room or your own room if you prefer.

After a quiet, comfortable and relaxing nights sleep enjoy a breakfast from our extensive menu before setting off for your day exploring the area, working or moving on to your next destination.

Accommodation

We have three guest rooms available and all are equipped with the following:-

- En-suite facilities
- LCD Televisions with "Freeview" and a DVD plus Sky TV in the Master Room
- A clock/radio with iPod connection (Part of the TV in the Master Suite)
- Free broadband internet connection
- A refrigerator with fresh milk for -
- the full hospitality tray with a proper tea pot and cafetiere.
- Hair drier
- Bathrobes in the Master Room

A blanket is stored in or on the wardrobe and feather pillows are also in the rooms for those guests who do not object to them.

Tariffs (Applicable from August 2009)	
Standard Accommodation Single occupancy - per night	2 Sharing - per night
Master Guest Suite £60	£80.00
Double Rooms - 1 and 2 £40	£60.00
Master Guest Suite - Sharing Children sharing with adults	£10 per child per night (max 2)
Third/Fourth Adult sharing	£10 per person per night
Evening Dining Dinner - 2 course - per person	£17.50
Dinner - 3 course - per person	£20.00

Bedrooms

Whether you choose to stay in our Master **Bedroom Suite**, with it's Four Poster bed, sofa, writing desk, whirlpool bath and wet room shower or one of our beamed ceiling double room suites you are sure to be able to relax, unwind and recover from your hard day.



Room 2 has a Memory Foam pillow top to the pocket sprung mattress.

Room 1 has a slightly harder, but still extremely comfortable pocket spring mattress.

Need to stay connected to the outside world? All rooms have **Free Broadband**. Also phone calls to UK landlines of under 30 min duration are free.



Guest Lounge



A light and airy “conservatory” style room with sink-in-and-relax sofas and plenty of reading material, books - magazines - newspapers and local information guides.

Use this room as and when you want and we are happy to serve you with tea or coffee here whenever you want it.

Feel free to take a book to your room to read in bed and all the novels in this room are available for sale at £2.00 each should you want to take one away with you.



Please note neither the reference books in this room nor any of the books in the bookcases in any other room are for sale but can be used whilst staying.

Dining

*We are a “gastro” B&B and are specialist vegetarian but **NOT** exclusively so.*

We offer both vegetarian and non vegetarian breakfasts and as we appreciate the need for clear ingredient separation and cross contamination controls in the kitchen, we apply strict policies of hygiene and segregation developed during the time we owned a food manufacturing company.



We try to ensure seasonal fruits and vegetables come from our own gardens or from local sources. We will cater for Vegans but do need to know at the time of booking.

We are constantly complemented on the quality of the food we serve, breakfast is a “tour de force” and evening meals far exceed expectations for a B&B (and many restaurants for that matter).

Our dining room is not large so our guests do have to eat together or we are happy provide a room service for the evening meal, if this is preferred.

We have two dinner menus each evening, one exclusively vegetarian and one with meat main courses. Both contain two starters, three mains and two deserts and both change daily.

Currently we do not have a drinks licence so please feel free to bring your own alcohol with you. We will happily look after it for you, warm or chill as required and provide glasses as needed.

Sample Breakfast Menu

Fruit Juice

Selection of Cereals,
Fresh Milk or Soya Milk
(Hot milk on request)

and

Full English Breakfast

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1 or 2 Free Range Eggs Fried,
Poached or Scrambled,
(Ours if the girls are laying)

Vegetarian Sausages, Home Style
Potato Cubes, Oven Roast Tomato,
Sautéed Mushrooms, Baked Beans

Or

Lite Bites

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Scrambled or Poached Eggs on Toast

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Eggs Benedict

(Poached eggs on toasted English
Muffin

with Hollandaise Sauce)

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Cheese and/or Mushroom Omelette

All Served With

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Wholegrain or White Toast
(Home Baked Daily)

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A selection of Honey, Jams and
Marmalades**

Butter or Spread if preferred

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Breakfast or Fruit Tea or
Fresh Cafetiere Coffee

Sample Dinner Menu

Soup of the Day

A Home-Made Soup Served with
Bread Rolls or Flavoured Croutons
or

Goats Cheese and Roasted Red Pepper Bruschetta

Served on a Bed of Salad Leaves
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Mild Vegetarian Curry

A Mild Curry of Vegetables and
Beans Served with Rice, Nan Bread
and a Selection of Indian Chutnys
or

Mushroom and Leek Open Tart

Button Mushrooms, Leeks and
Shallots Sauteed in a Rich Creamy
Cheese Sauce and Served on a Puff
Pastry "Plate". Served with New
Potatoes and Seasonal Vegetables
or

Chili and Ginger Tagliatelle Mushrooms

Tagliatelle Pasta with Button
Mushrooms in a Tomato, Ginger and
Chilli Sauce Served Garlic Bread
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Lemon and Almond Tart served
with a Raspberry Jus and Vanilla
Ice Cream

or

Fruit Crumble of the Day

A Fruit Crumble Served with
Homemade Vanilla Custard and/or
Vanilla Ice-Cream
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Tea or Fresh Cafetiere Coffee

Sample Dinner Menu

Soup of the Day

A Home-Made Soup Served with Bread
Rolls or Flavoured Croutons
or

White House Caesar Salad

Lettuce, Capers, Olives, Cherry Tomatoes
with Garlic Croutons and Caesar Dressing
and fresh Parmesan Cheese
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Crayfish Tagliatelle

Tagliatelle Pasta with Crayfish Tails in a
Tomato, Ginger and Chilli Sauce Served
with Fresh Grated Parmesan Cheese and
Garlic Bread
or

Chicken and Leek Open Tart

Chicken Fillets, Leeks and Shallots
Sauteed in a Rich Creamy Cheese Sauce
and Served on a Puff Pastry "Plate".
Served with New Potatoes and Seasonal
Vegetables
or

Oriental Salmon

Salmon Cooked in a Dark Hoisin Sauce
and served with a Garden Salad and New
Potatoes
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Crème Brule

or

Fruit Crumble served with homemade
vanilla custard
(seasonal fruit)
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Tea or Fresh Cafetiere Coffee

Dinner Menu

2 Courses £17.50

3 Courses £20.00

Soft Drinks

Appetize - £1.25

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Coca Cola - 60p

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Fresh Orange Juice - 60p

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Tonic Water - 50p

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Sparkling Elderflower
Cordial - 95p

Mineral Water

San Pellegrino (750ml) -
£1.25

Vittel (Still) (500ml) - 60p

Guest Comments and "STAR" rating

We are "assessed" by Enjoy Britain on an annual basis and officially are a four star establishment but we wanted to know what the really important people - you, our guests - think about us, so in common with most B&B's we have a guest comments form. Where ours differs slightly is we ask for a star rating, from 1 to 6, well there's no harm in trying! The following is a good cross section of comments.

"We had a fantastic room as good as a suite in ant five star hotel. Ross and Isabel, you both made our stay so enjoyable we couldn't wish for anything more - but we got it - the best vegetarian food we've tasted away from home in 27 years. We'll definitely be back even if we have to take a 100 mile detour".
Mr & Mrs G - 6 stars

"The best B&B we've ever stayed in. Very warm welcome, fabulous food, lovely comfortable room and brilliant bathroom. I'm sure we'll be back." Mr & Mrs D - 6 stars

"It isn't often that one gets a chance to praise in these days of apathy and indifference so it is with great delight and joy that I can record a first class experience at White House, especially so for vegetarians! Gourmet food, incredibly hospitable and caring hosts, nothing too much trouble! I loved the attention to detail (e.g. covered glasses), very comfortable bed, great shower all in all a truly excellent time - stylish yet homely. Thank you both so much." Ms W - 6 stars.

"Excellent in all ways. Pleasure to stay and will recommend it to all heading this way." Ms K - 6 stars

"This was a delightful stay. Our dietary needs were more than accommodated for and the rooms are cosy and quaint. Quality goods and attention to detail make the White House at once homely and luxurious. We hope to stay again". Mr B and Miss B - 6 stars (Vegans)

"We've had a wonderful stay, with every attention to detail provided (thanks for the anniversary flowers and ice bucket!). You have definitely risen to the challenge of providing Vegan food and have not disappointed." Mr & Mrs P - 6 stars

"I couldn't have wished for better service, the fridge in the room is great and all the little extras make for a pleasant and comfortable stay. My overnight stay has been lovely". Ms T - no stars rating given

"Just popped by to stay for one night - wished I could stay another! Great hosts and fantastic food and peaceful surroundings. Room is perfect in every way, great shower, firm bed, pretty views and even a modern TV with more than 4 channels! Took a walk along the canal and enjoyed the company of hens and the incredibly affectionate cat. Perfect, 5 stars (6 even)". Mr M - 6 stars

"Everything we could have desired, and more, was provided at White House. The room was beautiful, the bathroom luxurious and the meals superb. Ross & Isabel are the perfect hosts, attentive but unobtrusive and nothing seems to be too much trouble for them. One of the best B&B's we have had the pleasure of staying at" Mr & Mrs H - 6 stars

"Exceptionally good B&B with a very personal touch. Welcome, room & food excellent (I love the bedside lights in room 3 + the whirlpool bath + shower + bed and) Would highly recommend your establishment to anyone and we will be back again" Mr & Mrs M - 5 stars

Yes, they are pretty positive comments so all of the forms are available to see if you want to make sure we're not simply making them up!

Our current rating (6th October 2009) is 5.72 stars!

The Small Print

Booking:

By booking a room or rooms with us guests agree to arrive for the booked period and also agree to our terms and conditions in this "Small Print" section.

Bookings are for the number of people specified at the time of booking, should the party be larger than booked, another room will be offered to the extra guests if it is available. Also up to 2 additional people can be accommodated in the Master/Family room only, this on the basis of a shared double bed.

Extra guests will be charged at the published rates. Should extra rooms be unavailable or the Master room solution be unacceptable the additional guests will be asked to make alternative arrangements elsewhere, should the guest(s) booked decide to accompany them their booking will be treated as a "no show" and charged accordingly.

Arrival/Departure:

Should guests fail to arrive and have not cancelled their booking by 4pm on the day previous to the scheduled arrival, the cost of one night's accommodation will be payable.

Guests may take up their rooms from 15:30 but please indicate an approximate ETA on booking so we can make sure someone is in to greet you and we **MUST** know if arrival is going to be delayed past 22:00.

Guests are requested to vacate their rooms by 11:00. We will always endeavour to offer a late check-out facility to 14:00 but ask for understanding if it's not possible.

Deposit:

We may ask for a deposit cheque to the value of one night's accommodation on booking, simply as a guarantee of arrival. We do not cash any deposit at the time of booking and at the time of departure guests are free to pay by cash or personal cheque supported by a bank card. We will only cash the deposit cheque should guests fail to arrive.

Cancellation

Bookings cancelled after 3:30pm on the day prior to booking date will be charged for one night's accommodation.

Pets:

Sorry but we do not accommodate pets of any nature in the house.

Limits of Liability:

Without prejudice to any other rights of limitation the owners or any employees of White House may have and your rights under common law, we take no responsibility for the loss or damage of any vehicles, luggage or personal items brought onto our grounds or into any of our buildings, howsoever the loss or damage is caused.

Visitors to White House do so entirely at their own risk.

Damage and Breakages:

We would ask guests to remember that this is our home as well as a first class B&B and to respect the fixtures and fittings in the public rooms. In the unlikely event that guests cause any breakage, damage or unusual soiling, we reserve the right to seek compensation for the cost of repair, replacement or unusual cleaning that may be incurred.

Right to refuse admission:

Under very extreme conditions we reserve the right to refuse admission to booked guests or to ask for their immediate departure.

Such extreme conditions would include but not exclusive to, the following:

Antisocial or abusive behaviour of any nature.

Any action liable to endanger the safety of other guests, the management or the fixtures, fittings or fabric of any building on the grounds or any plants, fences etc. on the property.

Smoking in any of the public rooms.

Refusing to reduce the volume on the TV or Radio to a level acceptable to the management after 10pm.

Failure to arrive by 10pm on the day booked unless a late arrival had previously been requested.

Directions.

By Car

From the North along the A5/A483 (from Chester / Wrexham)

Travel south on the combined A5/A483 until you reach Mile End Roundabout, this has a Tourist Information and Esso Garage at the second exit. Take the **Third exit** for A483 (Welshpool / Mid Wales). Then take the **Second LEFT** towards Maesbury. After 2 miles you will reach Maesbury Marsh. Look out for the Navigation Inn and Canal Bridge. **Immediately on the far side** of bridge you will see a turn in on the **LEFT** leading to the gateway into White House.

From the South East along the A5 (Shrewsbury, M54, M6)

At the Nesscliffe roundabout continue straight on onto a dual carriageway. At the next roundabout Turn left onto the **B4397** towards **Knockin**, the road turns into the B4396 after a short distance. Continue through Knockin, after the village you will see a sign saying Osbaston Take the **next RIGHT** towards **Maesbury & Oswestry**. Follow the road through Woolston Bank, at which point it turns sharp left down the hill. Enter Maesbury Marsh, on approaching the Canal Bridge look for White House on the **RIGHT** just before the canal bridge. Turn **RIGHT**, into a pull in **immediately before** the bridge and you will see the gate to White House - pass the Navigation Inn on the right and you are on the wrong side of the bridge!

From the South West along the A483 (From Welshpool)

Continue through Pant and Llyncllys and after just over a mile look out for the signs to **Maesbury** on the **RIGHT**. Follow this road to the T junction with Maesbury Road and turn **RIGHT** then follow this road into Maesbury Marsh. Look out for the Navigation Inn and Canal Bridge. **Immediately on the far side** of bridge you will see a turn in on the **LEFT** leading to the gateway into White House.

Walking

White House has direct access to the Towpath of the Montgomery Canal in Maesbury Marsh.

Bus

The Arriva 576 service stops in Maesbury Marsh. Other bus routes in the Oswestry area can be found at www.arrivabus.co.uk/default.aspx

