

BEECHWOOD ACCESS STATEMENT

Beechwood was built circa 1900 by a local Doctor along with the property next door for himself and his two sisters. The attractive Rose Garden opposite belonged at one time to the house; however it is now a public area which can be used freely by guests. The house still retains many original features including a Stained Glass window on the first floor which, we understand to have been designed by a local artist.

The house maintains its original layout and, therefore there are no guest rooms on the ground floor. All rooms are on first and second floor with no lift access as it has not been practical to install one.

We are a family run business and offer a friendly, personal service where each guests needs are catered for wherever possible. Any specific requirements can be advised at time of booking in order for us to ensure a comfortable stay for each and every guest.

PRE-ARRIVAL

We are contactable by post: Beechwood, Beresford Road, Bowness-on-Windermere, and Cumbria LA23 2JG

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ARRIVAL AND ACCESS TO BEECHWOOD

We have car park on site to accommodate six cars and all spaces are clearly marked out on block-paved surface. The car park is well lit at all times.

Should you arrive by bus the bus stop is approximately 100m away and for those arriving by train Winderemere train station is approximately a twenty minute walk from Beechwood, although we do offer to collect (free of charge) all guests travelling by train who are visiting Beechwood.

On arrival guests are greeted at the door and shown around prior to being escorted, with the offer of luggage assistance, to their room having been furnished with all relevant information regarding their stay at Beechwood. We also have our own information folders in each room for guests to refer to at any time during their stay.

We have no wheelchair access and there are two small steps into the house leading to the front door which is always open during daylight hours; this is followed by another door which is locked at all times via a Yale Lock and leads to the entrance hall of the house.

The guest Lounge and dining room are on the ground floor and staircase (comprising 16 stairs) which takes you to the first floor where there are four guest rooms along a landing with handrail on one side. At the end of this landing is another flight of 12 stairs leading to a private bathroom, followed by a further short flight of stairs leading to two more guest bedrooms on second floor.

The landing which boasts a traditional stained glass window, is always adequately lit and lighting is maintained throughout the night.

Ground Floor

Carpeted throughout with deep pile carpet this is all on one level with doors leading into Guest Lounge and dining room. There are six dining room tables each with two place settings, however to accommodate larger groups we can put tables together where required.

We offer a varied breakfast menu and cater for special dietary needs – please advise us in advance if you have any special requirements. No take away food is to be consumed on the premises.

First Floor

Each bedroom is double and individually decorated; however we have tried to maintain furnishings, etc. in keeping with the period of the property. All rooms are carpeted and equipped with remote control TV, kettle and complimentary tray and hairdryer. Bathroom is also furnished with complimentary toiletries.

At top of first flight of stairs is a Superior Double room with King size Bed with ample walkway on each side with bedside cabinets and lamps. A soft two seater sofa is provided and two large windows overlook the Rose Garden opposite.

The en-suite bathroom comprises toilet, hand basin and shower cubicle and can be accessed via door which opens into bathroom.

Along the corridor is another Superior Double room which also has King size bed with ample walkway either side where lamps can be found on bedside cabinets. A soft two seater sofa is provided and two windows allow double aspect into Side Street and Rose Garden opposite respectively. A further upright chair is also provided in front of dressing table.

The en-suite bathroom comprises toilet, hand basin and shower cubicle – bathroom is accessed by door opening outwards into bedroom.

Next door is our Standard Double room furnished with a Double bed, wardrobe and wicker chair in front of vanity unit / mirror? Dressing gowns and slippers are provided for guests to use whilst visiting the private bathroom which is not en-suite.

Private bathroom can be accessed via a short flight of 12 stairs and through door which opens into bathroom. The bathroom is substantial in size and contains shower cubicle, toilet and wash basin. Skylight window offers maximum ventilation and light. A key is provided for locking door to ensure guests privacy.

Last room on this floor is a Superior (four poster) Double room which has a traditional four poster bed with decorative curtains all around. A Soft two seater sofa is provided as well as stool in front of mirrored dressing table. There is ample walkway on either side of bed, both sides having a lamp on bedside cabinet. There are two sash windows one overlooking side street and the other overlooking Rose Garden opposite.

The en-suite bathroom comprises toilet, wash basin and shower cubicle and is accessed through door opening into bedroom.

Ascend the staircase to the Second Floor (via flight of 17 stairs – passed private bathroom) and we have a Double room has King Size bed with metal headboard. It overlooks Rose Garden opposite and has views of local fells – binoculars are provided for closer inspection. A wicker two seater sofa is provided along with stool in front of dressing table/mirror. The ceiling above sofa slopes as this room is at the very top of the house.

The en-suite bathroom comprises shower cubicle, toilet and hand basin and can be accessed through door which opens outwards into bedroom.

Finally, next door is another Superior (four poster) Double room which is furnished with traditional style four poster bed with decorative curtains and fabrics around. There is ample walkway either side of bed with both sides having lamps on bedside cabinets. There is a soft two seater sofa with standing lamp over and also an upright chair in front of dressing table/mirror. A trouser press is also available and a skylight window allows views of greenery

over rooftops to lake. A second window overlooks Rose garden opposite and has views of the local Pikes – binoculars are provided for closer inspection.

En-suite bathroom can be accessed via door which opens outwards into bedroom. Bathroom comprises toilet, hand basin and shower cubicle; it also has clear glass window at one end together with skylight to provide maximum ventilation and light. A Small radiator is situated next to toilet.

Garden

We have small garden area at front of house, next to car park, which has an arbour seat. We also have wooden seating outside front door comprising one wooden bench and two seats attached by table in the middle.

Additional information

We have an audible fire alarm system throughout the house, but would ask anyone hard of hearing to notify us of this on arrival in order for measures to be taken to ensure safety.

We are open to residents only and the property is always manned.