

WOLSEY LODGES

Barleyford

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A hidden gem, set in the soft green foothills of the Peak District, Barleyford lies in complete seclusion at the end of a long private road, reached through a wooded river valley and open farmland.

This quietly beautiful 15th century house appears out of nowhere. Huge cruck beams, massive timbers, crackling log fires, old oak furniture and works of art are reminiscent of another age but sit comfortably with gentle modernisation. Every room in the house, including the four poster suite and the magnificent beamed bedroom, has a wonderful view.

Masses of lavender and soft blue nepeta edge the stone flagged terrace where guests take tea in summer. 110 acres of extensively farmed grassland and woodland are home to wonderful wildlife, from buzzards in the beech trees to red deer stags roaring near the house during the autumn rut. Three long-distance footpaths are directly accessible, and guests may if they wish borrow wellies and binoculars.

Your Hosts

Derek is a Chemical Engineer and Jane runs the farm and the fishing. They are a happy, relaxed and well-travelled couple who enjoy entertaining and take care to make sure guests enjoy their stay. The atmosphere is informal and conversation flows easily.

The Location

The Ship Inn at Wincle is a favourite place for dinner, and there are several good pubs within easy reach. Locally there are sheepdog trials, well-dressing, rush bearing ceremonies and markets. Nearby are the interesting antique towns of Leek, Ashbourne and Blakewell; and historic houses and gardens including Chatsworth, Biddulph Grange, Little Moreton, Haddon and Hardwick. Stoke-on-Trent is a good source of Wedgewood, Spode and Doulton at very low prices, and factory tours are fascinating.

Finding Us

Do not go to Wincle. Leave A523 at Rushton entering Sugar Street beside the Royal Oak. After ¼ mile fork left into dip and straight on into private road. Surface is rough at first but soon improves. Keep straight on, down hill and over river. Barleyford is at the end of a mile of private road.



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(All bedroom prices are per person, per night, including breakfast)

- Closed Christmas & New Year
- 1 Double Room (en suite) £45-£50
- 2 Double Rooms (private) £45-£50
- Single Supplement £20
- Breakfast Only

