

Accessibility Statement – Ballacrye Beg

Introduction

Ballacrye Beg is situated in open countryside close to the hamlet of Sandygate, Jurby. It is 5 miles from Ramsey, 1 mile from the centre of Jurby, 2 miles from Sulby and 3 miles from Ballaugh. There is a 150 yard graveled farm lane to the property from the road. Ballacrye Beg is an addition to the traditional farmhouse of Ballacrye and has one bedroom.

Pre-Arrival

Ramsey is the nearest town and from here there are onward buses to Douglas and other parts of the Island. There is also the Electric Railway station in Ramsey going to Laxey, with connections to the top of *Snaefell*, and to Douglas. Accessible taxis are available in Ramsey.

The 19C bus to and from Ramsey will stop at Ballacrye entrance.

The 18K bus goes to Ramsey via Andreas and Bride.

Key Collection, Welcome and Car-Parking

The owner is usually available to welcome guests and a familiarisation tour is offered. If the owner is not available or in the case of late arrival the key will be left in a pre-arranged place

The entrance lane to the cottage is immediately past the farmhouse. It is graveled and the cottage door is at a slightly lower level. Car parking is 10 yards from the cottage door. There is lighting at the door.

Entrance to Property

There is a 2 inch step at the door to the cottage and a 6 inch high threshold.

The door width is 30 inches. The vestibule is tiled and has a rubber backed rug and the hall has Karndean tiling. The inner door is 28 inches wide.

Sitting Room/ Dining Area

The door leading from a small hall is 28 inches wide. Modular furniture is arranged into a 3 seater settee and a single chair. Flooring is wood laminate with low pile rugs in front of the fireplace. There is a small dining table with 2 pine kitchen chairs.

Kitchen

An arch leads into the kitchen area which also has wood laminate flooring.

The height of the work surface, electric hob is 90 inches. The oven has a drop down door. There is a single lever mixer tap. There is under cupboard lighting and 2 ceiling pendant lights. Dried foods and crockery are stored in wall cupboards.

Bedroom

Twin beds can be made up as a king size bed if required. Very limited space around the beds does not make wheelchair access possible.

Bathroom

The bathroom has a bath with a shower over the bath, with temperature control taps, recently fitted but do not have lever control, and a grab rail. Toilet and wash basin with pedestal are standard height. The size of the bathroom does not allow for easy wheelchair access.

Garden

The garden in front of the cottage is accessed by a gate in the cottage lane and also by Ballacrye farmhouse garden gate which allows wheelchair access across the lawn. Lightweight garden furniture is provided.

Additional Information

Free Wi-Fi is included in the rental. Mobile phone reception is generally good but there is also a landline in the cottage which can be used free of charge for local calls.

Tea, coffee, biscuits, Manx Honey, jams, tinned soups, wine, beans etc. are provided free of charge as well as fresh items such as milk, bread, fruit, cheese, butter and flowers.

Although the living room and kitchen provide a spacious area with good flooring, the access to the cottage and the size of the bathroom and bedroom make the cottage unsuitable for full-time wheelchair users.