



Accessibility Guide for Ballavere Cottage B&B

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Welcome

‘Ballavere’ is a simply delightful and faithfully restored Manx cottage, set in the heart of the Island’s countryside.

Your ground floor bedroom offers one luxurious brass framed, double bed, decorated with crisp, white cotton linen.

A stylish, spacious private and ground floor bathroom enjoys a large cast iron bath, just perfect for a long hot and relaxing soak.

Unfortunately, we have no shower facilities.

Your lounge and dining area is located on the first floor, and therefore has the advantage of

beautiful views to the steam railway line and the distant sea beyond.

At a Glance

Level Access

- The main entrance has 1 step. There is no lift and no ramp.

Access with steps

- There are steps from the main entrance to:
 - Dining Area
 - Dining Table
 - Guest Lounge
 - Conservatory
 - The Garden
 - The Conservatory

Bedrooms

- We have non-allergic bedding.
- We have a complimentary room policy for personal assistants.

Level access bedrooms

- The route to the bedroom is 750mm wide, or more.
- There is unobstructed floor space 1200mm by 900mm, or more.

Hearing

- The (bedroom) TVs have subtitles.

Visual

- The walls and the doors have high colour contrast.
- Some parts of the venue have low lighting.

General

- Staff are available 24 hours a day.
- We have emergency evacuation procedures for disabled visitors.

Getting here

Ballavere Cottage
Main Road
Colby
Isle of Man
IM9 4AD

Travel by public transport

- You can get to Ballavere Cottage B&B by bus.
- The busses stop right outside our next door neighbour's house. The bus stop is 0.0 miles / 0.0 km from Ballavere Cottage B&B.
- The busses stopping close to our cottage travel to both the airport and the capital Douglas, where the ferries operate from.
- You can get a taxi with Bunty's by calling 01624835433. The taxi company has a wheelchair accessible vehicle.
- You can get a taxi with Ballacabs by calling 07624498171.
- We have a transfer service for visitors. Wheelchair users can use the transfer service.
- We are currently applying for a Public Passenger Vehicle Licence for our Mercedes Vito Minibus.

Parking

- We have a car park. There are accessible parking spaces. The parking is less than 50 metres from the main entrance. Parking is free.
- The drop off point is on our driveway at the side of the house and less than 30 yards from the guest entrance. From the car park to the entrance, there is level access. The route is 1000mm wide, or more.

Arrival

Path to main entrance

- From the street to the main entrance, there is 1 step. There is no ramp and no lift.

Main entrance

- The main door is side hung and manual.
- The door is 740mm wide.
- The main entrance has 1 steps.
- Access from the road includes one small step of around two inches and also a standard external door threshold.

Getting around inside

Visual Impairment - General Information

- We have high colour contrast between walls and doorframes.
- Some parts of the venue have low lighting.

Bedrooms

- All bedrooms have windows.
- Bedrooms have wall lights, bedside lamps and natural daylight.
- Lights are energy saving and traditional filament. TVs have subtitles.
- All bedrooms are non-smoking.
- We have non-allergic bedding.

- All bedrooms have fitted carpets.
- We can move the bedroom furniture, to improve accessibility.
- We have a complimentary room policy for personal assistants.

Lounge

Guest Lounge

- From the main entrance to the lounge, there are 11 steps. There is no lift and no ramp.
- Our bedrooms and bathroom are on the ground floor.
Our lounge and dining area is on the first floor.

Place to eat and drink

Dining Area

- From the main entrance to the dining area, there are 11 steps. There is no lift and no ramp.
- To get to a table, there are 11 steps.
- There is no background music.
- The table and plates have high colour contrast.
- We cater for sugar free (diabetic) and vegetarian specific diets.

Conservatory

- From the main entrance to this area, there are 3 steps. There is no lift and no ramp.

Getting around outside

The Garden

- From the main entrance to the gardens, there are 3 steps. There is no lift and no ramp.

Smoking

The Conservatory

- From the main entrance to the smoking area, there are 3 steps. There is no lift and no ramp.

Customer care support

Accessibility equipment

- The village arboretum which is less than 100 yards from our main entrance
- We have an area to charge mobility scooters and battery powered wheelchairs.
- You can hire mobility equipment from Kissack Care Limited by calling 01624611559.

Customer care support

- Staff are available 24 hours a day.