

# GUEST WELCOME

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HUNTER'S COTTAGE, MOORFIELD, MAIN STREET, ST BOSWELLS, TD6 0AT

### Dear Guest

It is with great pleasure that we welcome you to Hunter's Cottage.

This property was initially owned by Mr Benjamin Hunter and was a busy, working stables up to the mid-20<sup>th</sup> century. It was then purchased by the Royal British Legion and was used as a bowling alley. Later, it was let out to the community as the local children's nursery. We purchased the property in 2015 and the nursery continued to thrive. A purpose built nursery was built for the children at the local primary school in 2018 and we converted it into the cottage you see now.

As a result of Covid-19, the parking area has been transformed into an outside eating area for the attached restaurant, also owned by us, and we hope very much that this service will add to your stay.

Please relax and enjoy your time at Hunter's Cottage.

Best wishes

Salvatore & Gail



### **EMERGENCY**

### CONTACTS

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### Hunter's Cottage, Moorfield, Main Street, St Boswells, TD6 0AT

EMERGENCY CONTACT	07712349516	Gail De Martino
HOUSEKEEPER	07712349516	Zeena
A&E HOSPITAL	01896 826000	Borders General Hospital, Melrose, Roxburghshire, TD6 9BS
DOCTORS	01896 822161	Eildon Medical Practice, Auction Mart, Newtown St Boswells, Melrose, TD6 0PP
DENTIST	01896 752752	Bank Street Dental Practice, 19 Bank St, Galashiels TD1 1EN
POLICE	101 / 999 01896 822602	Melrose Police Station, High St, Melrose TD2 9RY
PHARMACIES	01835 823732	Eildon Pharmacy, Tweedside Rd, Newtown St Boswells, Melrose TD6 0PB
	01896 822178	Boots, 27-29 Market Square, Melrose, TD6 9PL
TAXIS	01896 756789 07974 826826 01896 759300	Five Star Taxis Jim's Taxi Monte's Taxi
VETS	01835 823257	Greenside Veterinary Practice, Greenside Farm, St Boswells, Melrose TD6 0AJ
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ELECTRICAL FUSE BOX

The fuse boxes can be found in the cupboard in the living room to the right of the kitchen door. In the event of loss of power, there is a torch in the drawer in the porch.

FIRST AID KIT

You will find a first aid kit in the kitchen.

FIRE PROCEDURE & FIRE EXTINGUISHERS

The house is fitted with hard wired smoke alarms. There is a fire extinguisher in the kitchen. There is also a fire blanket in the kitchen.



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CLEANING EQUIPMENT

You will find cleaning equipment and cleaning products in the kitchen under the sink. Please use these, especially on the day of departure.

ELECTRICAL APPLIANCES

Instruction manuals for all the electrical appliances can be found in a folder in the kitchen drawer.

DAMAGE & BREAKAGES

We understand that accidents do happen. For any minor breakages to kitchen items such as glasses or cups, we ask that you please leave a note for our housekeeper and a contribution towards replacement. In the event of other damage to items of furniture, furnishings or bed linen, it is important that you contact us as soon as possible. The cost of repair or replacement will invoiced and payment made before departure.

DOGS

Please ensure dogs are clean before entering the property, Please do not allow your dogs on the furniture or in the bedrooms. Please clear up after your dogs in the garden.

**FURNITURE** 

Please use the coasters and table mats provided to avoid water and heat damage to the furniture and deal promptly with any spillages.

**HEATING & HOT WATER** 

Hot water comes directly from the boiler in the loft space. Heating can be put on or raised by turning the thermostat which can be found on the wall to the left of the corridor leading to the bedrooms.

WI-FI

The network you need to select is Hunters Guest and the wireless password to log in is stables123. Please note, internet service can be patchy and slow.



### PROPERTY INFORMATION

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WOOD BURNING STOVE

One basket of logs is provided. Additional logs can be purchased from the Coop in Melrose or from the petrol stations in Earlston, Galashiels or St Boswells. If used, please clean the stove before departure. If you do not wish to clean the stove, please leave £10 cash on the mantlepiece for the housekeeper who will do it for you.

**SMOKING** 

Please note that this is a strictly no smoking property.

RUBBISH & RECYCLING

Please place all rubbish in the large trade waste bin located next to the restaurant. Glass and additional recycling facilities can be found by the St Boswells bus station car park. Please do not leave glass bottles for the housekeeper to remove. These should be taken to the glass bin located at the bus stop. Thank you.

DEPARTURE TIME

Please depart the house by 10am. This ensures that the housekeeper has time to thoroughly prepare the property for incoming guests. Should you wish to depart later, we will endeavour to accommodate your request but we respectfully request that this is agreed well in advance. Please leave the keys in the lock box at the left hand side of the porch when you leave. Thank you.

DEPARTURE CLEANING

Please leave the house tidy and clean on your departure and put all rubbish in the bin indicated in the 'Rubbish & Recycling' Section, thank you.

Please ensure all dishes/crockery/cutlery/glasses have been put through the dishwasher. The housekeeper is happy to empty the dishwasher of clean dishes.

We allow for six hours of departure cleaning which under normal circumstances is ample. However, if the house is particularly dirty and requires additional cleaning, the extra cost will charged at a rate of £30 per hour.



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### ADDITIONAL SERVICES, AMENITIES & ATTRACTIONS

### **CATERING**

For complete relaxation, special occasions and large gettogethers, you may wish to consider using Hunters Stables next door. We can also arrange a meal delivery service from Hunters Stable Wine Room & Bistro. Wine can also be delivered. Contact the restaurant on 01835 822710 or pop in during opening hours.

ADDITIONAL HOUSEKEEPING

Guests requiring additional cleaning or linen changes during their stay should arrange this in advance with Gail De Martino on 07712349516. Additional housekeeping is paid directly to the housekeeper at a rate of £10 per hour.



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LOCAL AREA INFORMATION

There is excellent tourist information available online at: www.visitnorthumberland.com www.visitscottishborders.com

### LOCAL SHOPS & AMENITIES

Hunters Stables Wine Room and Bistro sits opposite. You can also find an award-winning butcher, post office, a few convenience stores, petrol station and the very popular Mainstreet Trading which is a café, deli and bookshop as well as a few independent shops in St Boswells and a Coop in Newtown St Boswells.

Milestone Garden Centre is a great place for a browse, they also have a wonderful gift shop and a café.

In Melrose you will find Purple Plum Greengrocers which offers fresh fruit and veg, Martin Baird butchers, Dalgetty's bakery, Country Kitchen Deli and a large Coop all in Melrose.

The nearest large supermarkets are in Galashiels as follows:

**Tesco Extra**, Paton St, Galashiels TD1 3AT Tel: 0345 026 9548. Open 6am to 12am, 7 days a week.

**Asda Superstore,** Currie Rd, Galashiels TD1 2AG Tel: 01896 661800 Open 24-hours.

Marks & Spencer, Gala Water Retail Park, Galashiels Simply Food Unit 2, Galashiels TD1 3AP Tel: 01896 668346
Open 8am to 8pm Monday to Friday, 8am – 7pm on Saturdays and 9am to 7pm on Sundays.

**ALDI,** King St, Galashiels TD1 1PX Tel: 0843 504 7263
Open 8am to 10pm Monday to Saturday and 9am to 8pm on Sundays.

### **Local farmers market**

Kelso Farmers Market - 4th Saturday of the month, 9.30 - 1.30, Kelso Town Square



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LOCAL TACKLE AND GUN SHOPS

Borders Gunroom, Main St, St Boswells

Tel: 01835 822844

Fin & Game, 36-38 Bridge St, Kelso, TD5 7JD

Tel: 01573 224066

(Also provide fishing equipment for hire)

Orvis, 11 The Square, Kelso, TD5 7HH

Tel: 01573 225810

EATING OUT

Hunters Stables Wine Room & Bistro, St Boswells

Tel: 01835 822710 www.huntersstables.co.uk

**Provender**, Melrose Tel: 01896 820319 provendermelrose.com

The Firebrick Brasserie, Lauder

Tel: 01578 718915

www.firebrickbrasserie.co.uk

The Café at Mainstreet Trading, St. Boswells

Tel: 01835 824087

www.mainstreetbooks.co.uk/cafe

**Burts Hotel**, Melrose Tel: 01896 822285 www.burtshotel.co.uk

The Terrace Café, Floors Castle, Kelso

Lovely in the summer – ask to reserve a table in the walled

garden.

Tel: 01573 225 714

www.floorscastle.com/visit-us/shop-and-eat/the-terrace-cafe/

The Townhouse, Melrose

Tel: 01896 822645

www.thetownhousemelrose.co.uk

Lemon & Thyme, Kelso

Tel: 01573 348324

www.lemonandthymerestaurant.co.uk/

The Collingwood Arms, Cornhill-On-Tweed

Tel: 01890 882424

The Potted Lobster, Bamburgh

Tel: 01668 214088

www.thepottedlobsterbamburgh.co.uk



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**The Barn at Beal**, near Berwick-upon-Tweed Tel: 01289 540044 www.barnatbeal.com

**The Border Inn**, Kirk Yetholm – Ideal if you fancy walking part of the Pennine Way, the northern end of which is at Kirk Yetholm.

Tel: 01573 420237 www.theborderhotel.com

**Joiner's Arms**, Newton by the Sea – Ideal in conjunction with a walk on the beach.
Tel: 01665 576112
www.joiners-arms.com

Jolly Fisherman, Craster – Fabulous seafood including world famous Craster Kippers!
Tel: 01665 576461
www.thejollyfishermancraster.co.uk

**The Queen's Head**, Berwick-upon-Tweed Tel: 01289 307852 www.queensheadberwick.co.uk

**The Treehouse Restaurant**, Alnwick Garden - Gets busy in the holidays so advisable to book.

**The Potting Shed**, Alnwick Garden – A fun bar for drinks, breakfast and lunch.
Tel: 01665 511852
www.alnwickgarden.com



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### LOCAL ATTRACTIONS

### **Alnwick Castle**

The iconic Alnwick Castle is home to Harry Potter-inspired events, dragon quest and an exciting history. It attracts over 200,000 visitors each year, making it the 10th most visited stately home.

info@alnwickcastle.com

**Bowhill House and Country Estate** near Selkirk is the home to Duke and Duchess of Buccleuch. With woodland walks, field sports, fishing, adventure playground and soft play area, it is perfect for families. Bowhill also hold events throughout the year.

www.bowhillhouse.co.uk

**The Donkey Sanctuary** at St Boswells was established in 2003 to provide permanent homes for donkeys and mules who have suffered from cruelty and neglect. Visits are allowed at 2pm on Saturdays and Sundays. Along with the donkeys there are pigs, llamas, goats, ponies, sheep, ducks and many breeds of poultry. Admission is free but any donations are gratefully received. www.donkeyheaven.org

Sitting on St Cuthberts Way, **Harestanes Visitor Centre** has outdoor and indoor play areas, a cafe and gift shop. There is an exhibtion area and an arts and craft centre. There is the opportunity to enjoy countryside walks for all ages and abilities. A great place for children to let off some steam!

**Velvet Hall Alpacas** is a family run business near Innerleithen. They currently have 16 alpacas – 9 boys and 7 girls. Velvet Hall Alpacas give you the opportunity to trek in the beautiful Scottish Borders countryside with the alpacas through forests and onto hilltops for panoramic views of the Tweed Valley. The alpacas are adorable and playful and love to trek so it's very easy to fall in love with their characters. It's a great day out if you fancy something a little different; you can also enter the Alpaca Selfie competition!

velvethall-alpacas.co.uk

**Adventure Northumberland** based in Alnwick organise **rock climbing, kayaking, coasteering, abseiling, surfing** www.adventurenorthumberland.co.uk

### Riding

Nenthorn Equestrian Centre can offer lessons close to Kelso. www.nenthorn-equestrian.co.uk

Kimmerston Riding Centre will take you riding in the Cheviot Hills or along the Northumberland beaches. www.kimmerston.com



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### Arts

The Tower Mill, formerly a disused spinning mill with waterwheel, has been transformed into an entertainment venue and cinema. The Tower Mill screens new releases and family favourites, broadcasts latest productions from National Theatre and hosts wonderful live theatre.

www.heartofhawick.co.uk/info/18/tower mill

**Bisley at Braidwood**, near Selkirk offer some great **clay pigeon shooting** for all abilities.

www.bisleyshooting.co.uk/our-grounds/bisley-at-braidwood/

Sit by the fire in the old station waiting room of **Barter Books** in Alnwick reading one of their thousands of second-hand books. www.barterbooks.co.uk

Take a **Farne Islands** boat trip - probably the best seabird colony in Britain and also famous for its seal population. A top 10 National Trust attraction in Britain. www.nationaltrust.org.uk/farne-islands

Visit **Flodden Field**, site of the infamous battle between the English and Scots. The 500<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the battle has been commemorated with an eco-museum. www.flodden1513.com

Visit the **Jim Clark Motorsport Museum** in the picturesque town of Duns. The museum is dedicated to the life and motor racing career of Jim Clark. jimclarktrust.com/jim-clark-motorsport-museum

**Jupiter Artland** is a fantastic, contemporary sculpture park and art gallery near Edinburgh. www.jupiterartland.org

A great day can be spent at **Dalkeith Country Park** with Fort Douglas adventure park with sky maze. The Restoration Yard Store, Restaurant and Well-Being Lab are a hit with the adults. You can explore the park on foot or enjoy a picnic in the grounds.

www.dalkeithcountrypark.co.uk

**Archerfield Walled Garden** is a delight and includes the Garden Café, Gift Shop, Food Market, microbrewery, running routes, outdoor trails and the very popular fairy trail. www.archerfieldwalledgarden.com



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**BEACHES** 

There is so much choice on this spectacular coastline, but our favourites are...

**Bamburgh** – voted one of Britain's top 5 beaches in several national surveys.

Cheswick – usually very quiet. Best to check tide times and go when the tide is out as much of the beach is covered at high

Linkhouse/Beadnell Bay - park at Newton Link House, best sand dunes and very quiet.

**Dunstan Steads** – walk across the golf course onto Embleton Bay. One of the best surfing beaches in the area, in the shadow of the ruins of Dunstanburgh Castle.

Ross Links – for walkers and bird watchers especially. Head north to the stone markers that have guided boats into Holy Island for hundreds of years.

**Alnmouth** – the bay has six miles of beach with the river Aln running into it with its beautiful estuary, popular for sailing.

**Sugar Sands** – quiet secluded beach east of Longhoughton.

GOLF

The links courses nearer Edinburgh are better known but the local area has some wonderful unspoilt courses that match the best north of the border.

We recommend:

Roxburghe - A Championship Course set in 200 acres of parkland.

roxburahe-aolf.com

The Hirsel - Arguably one of Scotland's best kept secrets and indeed has only recently been featured in Golf Monthly's Top 100 Hidden Gems of UK & Ireland.

www.hirselgc.co.uk

Bamburgh - one of the most scenic courses in Britain. www.bamburghcastlegolfclub.co.uk

**Goswick** – British open qualifier, one of the finest links courses in the country.

www.goswicklinksgc.co.uk



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**CASTLES** 

### **Alnwick**

www.alnwickcastle.com

**Bamburgh** (Dog friendly) www.bamburghcastle.com

### **Berwick Castle and Ramparts** www.english-heritage.org.uk

### Chillingham

www.chillingham-castle.com

### Dunstanburgh

www.nationaltrust.org.uk/dunstanburgh-Castle/

### **Ftal**

www.ford-and-etal.co.uk/

### **Floors Castle**

www.floorscastle.com/visit-us/floors-castle

### **Holy Island Castle and Priory**

www.lindisfarne.org.uk

### **Thirlestane Castle**

thirlestanecastle.co.uk

### COUNTRY HOUSES

### **Abbotsford**

www.scottsabbotsford.com

### Manderston

www.manderston.co.uk

### Mellerstain

www.mellerstain.com

### **Paxton House**

www.paxtonhouse.co.uk

### **Traquair**

www.traquair.co.uk



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**GARDENS** 

### **Alnwick Garden**

www.alnwickgarden.com

### **Chillingham Castle Garden**

www.chillingham-castle.com

### Cragside

www.nationaltrust.org.uk/cragside

### Dawyck

www.rbge.org.uk/visit/dawyck-botanic-garden

### **Floors Castle**

www.floorscastle.com/visit-us/gardens-and-grounds

### Holy Island - Gertrude Jekyll's garden

www.lindisfarne.org.uk

### **Howick Hall Garden**

www.howickhallgardens.org

### Wallington

www.nationaltrust.org.uk/wallington