

# Welcome to Pebblestones



Welcome to our holiday home. We both have long connections with the area, and love everything the north Cornish coast offers, especially Bude. This is our first year of welcoming holiday guests to our home. Having bought Pebblestones at the end of 2019 we have just completed the start of our renovations. We have changed the layout of the bedrooms and have fitted a new bathroom. We've also newly decorated and refurbished throughout the house. We hope you will feel at home and will enjoy your stay in Bude.

Hopefully this guide will give you all the information you need for your stay, but please do get in contact if there is an emergency or if you'd like to pass on any feedback of what you have found useful or is missing, it'll help us to keep adding to our guests' experiences.

We have an ongoing plan to improve Pebblestones. This winter we plan to do a lot of work in the garden, we will replace the fences and replant the rear hedge (we're keeping it at the moment to give us privacy from the home behind us). At the end of next summer, we hope to be ready to convert the garage into a third bedroom with shower/utility room and replace the conservatory with an extension to combine the sitting and new kitchen and make a much larger living space. It's all very exciting.

Wishing you a lovely fun and peaceful holiday.

Best wishes

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All links in our welcome letter are on our website.

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## Things to do...Places to go

(Please check websites prior to travelling to check on current Covid restrictions)

The best website to see things to do and places to go in the area is:

<https://www.visitbude.info/>

Tourist information centre, The Crescent, Bude, EX23 8LE

A few highlights are:

**Beaches**...so many to choose from, Summerleaze, Crooklet's, Northcott, Sandymouth, Duckpool, Widemouth and Millook

**Bude Sea Pool**...created in the 1930s, at Summerleaze, part natural part man made and now managed by a volunteer team providing a lovely safe pool.

**Beach huts**...can be hired on a daily or weekly basis.

**Canal**...you can hire pedaloos, canoes and stand-up paddle boards. Take a walk down to the Weir, enjoy lunch or a coffee.

**Watersports**... north Cornwall is renowned for its surfing beaches, learn to surf, try kayaking or coasteering. Have a trip out to Tamar Lakes for a variety of activities.

**Walks**...The South West Coast Path takes in some stunning scenery in both directions from Bude. Feel free to borrow the walking guide books, one of our favourites is from Duckpool beach through the Stowe Woods. Nearer home, there's a short walk from the Weir along the Hele Valley, lovely and cool on a sunny day.

**Cycle paths**...you can bring your own or hire one from Bude bike hire. The cycle path runs parallel to the canal and there are many quiet roads around the local villages.

**Bude Haven Recreation Ground**...crazy golf, tennis, bowling green right in the centre of town.

**Leisure Centre**... located near Morrisons.

**Ten pin bowling...Soft play**... also near Morrisons.

**Shops**...there are a good variety of small independent shops and national chains in Bude.

**Supermarkets**...Bude has three large supermarkets, Morrisons, Sainsburys and Lidl. There is also a Co-op at the top of Lansdown Road and a small 24 hour convenience shop at the Esso garage at the bottom of Valley Road (both less than 10 mins walk). Don't miss Lansdown Dairy, a delicatessen on Lansdown Road.

## Day Trips from Bude

There are many places to visit from Bude, here are some of our suggestions:

Tintagel Castle

Clovelly

Lundy Island

Dartmoor

For the children

The Milky Way, Bideford, North Devon

The Big Sheep, Abbotsham, North Devon

Trethorne Park, Launceston

## Bars, Restaurants and Tea Shops

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So many to choose from, these are some of our favourites

### Bude

The Bank... a lovely Tapas bar, always busy you may need to book.

Olive Tree... fantastic food and a lovely sunny early evening spot.

Life's a beach... one of THE favourites, a lovely way to spend the evening watching the sun go down over the horizon.

Brendon Arms... good food, the garden catches the sun at lunchtime.

The Barge... lovely cakes, outdoor tables only, at the moment.

The Weir... lovely café, two mile walk along the canal or reached by car along the A39 heading south.

Temple... good vegan and vegetarian menu.

Café Limelight... lovely café in The Castle, also has outside tables.

The Plaice and the Mermaid Fish and Chip Take Aways, you can take them to the benches above Summerleaze and enjoy the view.

### Crooklet's Beach

Rosie's Kitchen... a long-time favourite with us, good place for the kids to eat.

Crooklet's Beach Café... lots of outside tables at Crooklet's beach.

### Sandymouth and Northcott Beaches

The Rustic Tea Garden... at Northcott Beach, walk along the beach at low tide or along the cliffs, a café-caravan in a lovely spot to have a cup of tea or ice cream.

Sandymouth Café... lovely little café, tasty scones above Sandymouth beach.

### Widemouth Bay

Widemouth Bay Café... Located at the Pay and Display car park, good breakfasts.

Elements... Amazing views, between Bude and Widemouth, lots of inside and outside space.

## **Emergency contact details**

During present Covid times, please contact 111 to obtain medical advice. No Cornish hospitals are accepting walk-in appointments

### **Doctors**

Neetside Surgery, Methodist Church Halls, Bude EX23 8LA ☎ 01288 270 580

The Medical Centre, Hospital Road. Stratton. Bude, EX23 9BP ☎ 01288 352 133

### **Hospitals**

Stratton Hospital, Stratton, EX23 9BR ☎ 01288 320 100

#### **24 hour A&E Hospitals**

North Devon District Hospital, Raleigh Park, Barnstable, EX31 4JB ☎ 01271 322 577

Royal Cornwall Hospital, Treliske, Truro TR1 3LJ ☎ 01872 250 000

### **Dentist**

Morwenna Dental Surgery, 5 Morwenna Terrace, Bude, EX23 8BU ☎ 01288 352 340

Bupa Dental Care, April Lodge, Stratton Road, Bude, EX23 8AF ☎ 01288 355 355

### **Vets**

Tamar Vets, 9 The Strand, Bude, EX23 8QU ☎ 01288 354 796

Penbode Pet Vets. Hillhead, Stratton, Bude, EX23 9AB ☎ 01288 359 500

# **House Information**

## **Rubbish/Recycling collection**

The rubbish and recycling is collected by a private waste collection company on a Friday. All rubbish and recycling needs to be out on Thursday evening as it's collected early Friday morning. It does not need to be at the bottom of the drive, outside the garage door will be fine.

Please put all general and food rubbish in the black wheelie bin, glass in the black plastic box and plastic/paper/cardboard and metal in the large clear plastic bag in the kitchen cupboard by the hall door. Just place these by the wheelie bin.

## **Heating**

The heating is on a timer, hopefully you'll have lovely sunny weather and won't need it. The heating is currently turned off. If we do have a cold snap, turn the central heating onto timed programme, you can turn the dial on the wi-fi thermostat (on the sitting room fireplace) to the required temperature and click the large middle button. Please return it to 16°, and turn the central heating off on the boiler before you leave. See the instruction in the folder by the microwave in the kitchen.

## **Hot Water**

The hot water is heated from a combi boiler so there will be constant hot water and you go not need to adjust anything on the boiler.

## **Wi-fi**

The router is located in the hall, the code is acdc26db8b.

## **Chromecast**

There is a chromecast device plugged into the TV so you can stream from your phone or laptop.

## **Oven**

Ensure the oven is switched on at the wall. If the oven doesn't switch on after the power has been turned off, please push the three timer buttons from left to right.

## **Hob**

The hob has an electric ignition. If this fails to light, we have supplied a manual lighter ignition and matches.

## **Shower/extractor fan**

Please switch on the extractor fan and open the bathroom window when having a shower or bath to help with the ventilation. The switch is by the bathroom door in the hall. The bathroom light needs to be on for the extractor to work, but the light can be turned off while running the fan.

To have the shower panel fully open, please turn on the bath hot water tap fully to unfold the panel. Please do not hold onto the shower panel when getting into or out of the shower.

## **Conservatory**

Please do not adjust the ceiling light, the on/off switch is on the left hand side as you go into the conservatory.

## **Bedding**

If you have young children who are not reliably dry at night, we'd be grateful if you would use the waterproof mattress protectors kept in the wardrobe in the front bedroom. Please try to wash and dry the sheets while you are here, if that's not possible, please put wet sheets in a second red plastic sack and label "wet". A pen is with laundry bags in the kitchen cupboard by the kitchen/hall door. Please leave both bags by the front door for the housekeeper.

## **Sofa**

Please be careful not to spill anything on the sofa, feel free to use the throws if you have young children. If you do have a spill, dab it with a dry cloth, if there is still a stain, let us know so we can arrange for it to be professionally cleaned.

## **Hoover**

There is a henry hoover in the kitchen cupboard if needed.

## **Water/Stop Cock**

This is located at the bottom of the kitchen cupboard by the conservatory door. If you have an emergency, please call so we can contact our plumber.

## **Electric trip switch**

The electric junction box is located in the garage. If you have an emergency with the electrics, please contact us so we can contact our electrician.

## **Candles**

Please do not light any candles while at the property.

## **No Smoking**

Please note that we have a no smoking policy in the house and garage.

## **Garage**

Please feel free to use the garage to store body boards, bucket and spades/beach chairs etc.

We do have some boards, beach chairs and a wind break on the top shelf under the window, please feel free to borrow for the beach.

Help yourself to the garden chairs, the collapsible wooded chairs can be used for extra seating in the conservatory. The garage key (green fob) is hanging on the key ring hooks in the hall. Please ensure the garage doors are locked when the property is empty.

## **Wetsuits**

There is a washing/drying rail outside, and some drying hooks inside the garage. Please do not wash wetsuits or any beach clothing inside the house. There is also a hosepipe in the garage, please feel free to use if you wish to wash your wetsuits etc.

## **Post**

We're not expecting any post or deliveries, but if any arrive please leave them in the box on the shelf in the garage so we can collect them.

## **Window cleaner**

Occasionally we will have a window cleaner attend the property.

## **Gardener**

We have a gardener who cuts the lawn and waters the pots each week. If we are having a dry spell, please do water the pots for us. There is a watering can by the outside tap.

## **Covid**

Due to current Covid cleaning protocol guidance we're afraid we've removed some books, games, ornaments and throws, and also minimised our welcome packs on the advice of our housekeeper. We have left some local guidebooks, we hope you'll find them useful. We've also introduced a system of asking the guests to strip their own bed to make it safer for the housekeeper. Please see instructions in the departure paragraph.



# Departure notes

## Pebblestones

You'll need to vacate the property by 10am to allow for our housekeeper to clean through for the changeover.

We are following advice on making sure the changeovers are Covid secure for our guests and the housekeeper.

Please strip all bedding and put together in one of the red plastic bags which are kept in the kitchen cupboard by the hall/kitchen door. Please leave mattress/pillow protectors on the beds. The red bag should be left by the front door so the housekeeper can collect it without touching the bedding.

Please ensure all washing up is put away in the cupboards.

Please ensure all rubbish and recycling is put out on Thursday evening.

If you have adjusted the heating, please switch off the central heating at the boiler and return the thermostat to 16° before you leave.

Please ensure the garage, conservatory and kitchen doors are all locked, and keys placed back on the key ring hooks.

Please put the front door and porch keys in the key safe by the gas box. The code is 1749.

Let us know if you have any feedback, we will find it useful for future bookings.

If you would like to rebook, we can offer a discount if you book directly with us.

Please have a look at our website and drop us an email. We are taking bookings for autumn/winter this year or reserve a booking for 2022.

We can also offer a discount for longer bookings of 15 to 31 days during the autumn/winter, subject to availability, ideal if you're still working from home.



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We hope you have a safe journey home.

Best wishes

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