

SWINTON BIVOUAC

TREE LODGES, MEADOW YURTS, LOFT AND CAFÉ

ACCESS STATEMENT

This access statement is available in larger print on request

Pre-Arrival

Please contact us ahead of your stay if any specific equipment is required to stay. If we currently don't have a particular item at the hotel, we will endeavor to ensure we do prior to your arrival.

Getting to Swinton Bivouac

For full details and maps of how to reach Swinton Bivouac, please see the directions section on our website, on the 'Contact us' page and then 'Getting to us'.

Alternatively, you can plan your journey by car or public transport using www.transportdirect.info simply enter your postcode, and ours which is HG4 4JZ, to obtain directions.

By car

PLEASE NOTE THAT SATELITE NAVIGATION IS INACCURATE.

From the South

Please take junction 50 from the A1 (M) and follow the signs to Masham

From the North

Please take junction 51 from the A1 (M) and follow the signs to Bedale. Masham is sign posted from Bedale.

By train

The nearest railway stations are Thirsk (17.4 miles) and Northallerton (18.1 miles). There are taxis available at Northallerton and arrangements can be made via the Bivouac for collection by taxi from Thirsk station. If you require an accessible taxi we would be delighted to arrange this, just let us know in advance, advise us a minimum of 48 hours before your arrival date.

By bus

The nearest bus stop is at the square in Masham. There is a 'Yorbus' stop at the gates to Swinton Park Hotel. We can arrange for a taxi to transfer you to Swinton Bivouac, a fifteen minute taxi ride.

Walking

Please note that there is no pavement on the country lane from Masham to Swinton, so do take care when walking. The walk is undulating and is approximately a mile in length.



Swinton Bivouac

Tree Lodge, Meadow Yurt, Loft and Café site. It is situated 2.5 miles from Swinton Park Hotel and directions can be obtained from reception or enter HG4 4JZ into your sat nav.

Café Bistro

- The main carpark for Swinton Bivouac is very close to the café, where there is parking for 25 cars. The car park surface is loose gravel. There is an overflow car park available on the gravel track before entering the main car park.
- The final 50m of road into the car park is very uneven gravel surface. The path from the main car park into the café is a 10m gentle slope with a loose gravel surface.
- Access to the Residents' Lounge can also be gained from the car park, where there are 9 x 17cm level stone steps with white lines on the lips, can also be accessed with a sloping path from the car park to the right of the Residents' Lounge. The Residents' Lounge is on the same level as the café, with one step between them.
- The café is on three levels with the main level (order point) being the middle one, this has a level, painted concrete floor.
- Entry to the café is via two large doors which can be opened to 160 cm if required. There are also two large doors out of the side of the café into the BBQ area, courtyard, play area and accessible toilet.
- The upper level is accessed using a narrow staircase that is 88cm in width and has 7 x 17cm, with wooden steps, and a handrail on the left. The upper area has a wooden floor.
- The lower level has a level painted concrete floor and is also accessed by a narrow staircase which is also 88cm wide and has 7 x 17cm wooden steps with a handrail.
- From the café into the BBQ area and courtyard access is gained via 6 x 20cm stone steps with a white lip, the first 4 have a handrail the last 2 do not. Access to the BBQ area, courtyard, play area and accessible toilet can also be gained around the side of the café guests would need to traverse steeper steps, there are 7 x 22cm narrow stone steps.
- Once in the BBQ area and courtyard, access to the Owl Barn is via two even steps the first one is 20cm and the second is 13cm.

Tipi

- Access is on the same level as the car park and the café with a slight loose gravel incline and grass to access the tipi.



Car park and entrance track



Inside the cafe



Tree Lodges

The Tree Lodges are set in a woodland 500m from the main reception. It is suggested you drive this distance as the lodges have their own parking space. Each Tree Lodge has one parking space situated behind the lodge. Paths in the woodland surrounding the lodges are uneven grass paths with exposed tree roots, there are also some low hanging branches, especially if you stray off the paths.

There are 5 x 21cm wooden steps with a handrail into each Tree Lodge. There is a small wooden lip just before the door, and the entrance is 81cm wide. Inside there are wooden floors with no further steps, there is however a 5cm lip on the shower tray. There are 3 sleeping levels in the lodges, the double bed is on the ground floor with no steps, the middle level to the 3 single beds is accessed by a small ladder with 7 steps, the top level is accessed by 12 quite steep steps up a ladder with a rope handrail on both sides. Please be aware ceiling heights are low in the sleeping areas.

Meadow Yurts

The yurt field is a natural sloping grass field with paths cut into the grass. The field is 10m from the car park. Each yurt sits on a wooden deck with a 23cm step from the field up on to the deck, with a further 18cm step into the yurt itself. Be careful of a 4cm wooden lip over the door threshold. The yurts have level carpeted floors with a 5cm raised stone platform for the fireplace. The beds in the yurts are 48cm and 102cm from the ground. Each yurt has its own toilet, and there is a 17cm step from the yurt deck into the toilet cubicle. There are steps leading to the shower block which is located by the café, each shower cubicle has one step into the shower.

BBQ & Hot Tub

The BBQ, communal kitchen and hot tub area is on a raised wooden platform with picnic benches. There are three steps on to the communal kitchen platform which are 30cm and 23cm in height. The BBQ area's surface is small blue slate pebbles with level access. Access into the hot tub is via 3 steps which are 33cm, 24cm and 46cm in height.



Entrance to Yurt



Tree Lodge



Kitchen and hot tub area



Access to Yurts



The Loft

The Loft is above the Residents' Lounge in the Long Barn. Two spacious rooms sleeping up to 6 people on 2 double beds (which can be twinned), and a double sofa bed. There are external stone steps leading up to the Loft with an external door. The room has 2 interconnecting rooms which separate the double beds, with 2 steps and a door which separate these rooms. There is a shower room with shower, toilet and sink.



Above and below: double bed (which can twin) in The Loft with the sofa bed.



Toilet, sink and Shower.



The second room within The Loft.

