

Parkland Cottage

Region: South Wales **Sleeps:** 4

Overview

Parkland Cottage is a warm and cosy haven in a busy world, the perfect place for four guests to escape to. This picturesque cottage sits on the courtyard of the historic Pontardawe Country Estate along with other holiday cottages and a fabulous manor house. The cottage is the perfect getaway for small families, romantic couples or friends wanting to enjoy the beautiful Welsh Countryside. There are over one hundred and twenty acres of woodlands, bluebells, lush fields and astonishing wildlife to discover on this fabulous estate. If that isn't enough the stunning beaches of Swansea Bay and the Gower Peninsula and the dramatic Brecon Beacons are on the doorstep.

The cottages offer guests award winning accommodation as well as access to this gorgeous countryside. Parkland Cottage boasts two characterful bedrooms, a family bathroom, a cosy living room and a delightful country kitchen. It enjoys a large lawned garden with picnic benches for alfresco barbecues under the giant beach trees and charming views of lambs playing in the paddock. It is such a fabulous spot, perfect for chilling with a glass of wine watching the sun go down over the parkland. The south facing sun porch is a lovely, enchanting spot too.

The chef in your group will be delighted with the wonderful farmhouse style kitchen. It is well equipped, enjoying a Belfast sink, and is a pretty place to prepare hearty breakfasts and fabulous dinners which can be served at the oak table, chairs and antique church pew. There is character throughout the cottage with beams on the ceilings and other lovely nods to the past. The living room enjoys a warm colour palette, comfy furnishings and a wonderful feature fireplace with a log burning stove for chilly evenings. It is such a lovely room to curl up with the Sunday newspapers and a pot of tea. There is a handy



downstairs toilet off the hallway and stairs taking you upstairs to the bedrooms and bathroom.

After a day walking for miles through the estate or body boarding at the beach, you will sink into slumber in your atmospheric bedrooms. One enjoys a comfy double bed and the other twins. They both enjoy delightful beams on the ceilings, adding a warm and welcoming ambience as you settle down for the night. Both bedrooms also offer wonderful views out to the estate. Throughout the cottage, you will also enjoy the gorgeous artwork of local Welsh artists. The cottage comes with a Freesat Smart television with plenty of channels.

The fabulous one hundred and twenty acre Pontardawe Country Estate sits in the ancient hamlet of Cilybebyll, surrounded by beautiful rolling Welsh countryside. The historic estate boasts links to the descendants of Welsh Kings, Arthurian legend, tales of the Mabinogion, the Norman invasion, the Earls of Pembroke, Winston Churchill's secret army, eighteenth century prisons, Charles II, the tea plantations of Ceylon, coal mining, the Industrial Revolution and much more. A World War II hideout, used by Churchill's Secret Army was found in the estate's private bluebell woodland and gained recognition as a Scheduled Ancient Monument of national importance. In addition to its superb grounds, the Pontardawe Estate boasts the gorgeous manor house, Pontardawe Country House, as well as a number of other holiday cottages that Oliver's Travels also feature. Guests can book each of these individually or for a special celebration, you may want to consider booking a selection of the cottages with or without the manor house. Guests staying at the cottages are free to roam the estate, enjoying the beautiful natural scenery and its amazing wildlife. The estate is brimming with woodland walks, farm trails, green fields, bluebell woods, rivers and stunning picnic spots. When you have had enough you can head to the splendid Brecon Beacons, the Gower Peninsula, museums and numerous delightful towns and villages. A shop, post office and pub can be found in the charming village of Rhos one mile away and the 24 hour supermarket is in Pontardawe, two miles away.

Facilities

Ideal for Kids • Walking/Hiking Paths • Cots (Cribs) • Ideal for Teens • Great Value • Cottage • Wi-Fi/Internet • Rural Location • Outstanding Landscapes • Outdoor Pursuit & Activities • Tourist Towns & Villages • Satellite TV • Working Fireplace/Woodburner • Heating • Ideal for Babies & Toddlers • High Chair(s)

Interior & Grounds

Ground Floor

- Living room with woodburner
- Fully-equipped kitchen with dining facilities
- Cloakroom

First Floor

- Bedroom with double bed
- Bedroom with twin beds
- Family bathroom

Exterior Grounds

- Private lawn area
- Barbecue
- 100 acres of Estate gardens to explore

Additional Facilities

- Wi-Fi
- TV
- Travel cot & highchair available on request (*please bring your own cot linen*)
- Parking



Location & Local Information

Parkland Cottage enjoys a fabulous position on the one hundred and twenty acre Pontardawe Country Estate in the tranquil hamlet of Cilybebyll, close to the village of Pontardawe. The estate is full of forests, rivers, bluebell woods, sprawling fields, bird nesting boxes, beautiful picnic spots, a stately manor house and other holiday cottages. It is the perfect rural retreat between the Gower Peninsula and the Brecon Beacons National Park. The estate courtyard where many of the cottages are located is bounded by the upper reaches of the picturesque River Clydach and on the other side by green parkland pastures grazed by sheep and cows. The high hills of blue pennant sandstone provide the backdrop to an idyllic and tranquil scene. Parkland Cottage enjoys a fabulous spot where you can dine alfresco watching the lambs and enjoy fabulous sunsets over the parkland. Guests booking Parkland Cottage are free to roam the estate including its award winning bluebell woodland. The estate's farm walk is a circular walk for guests which meanders from the doorstep of Parkland Cottage towards the summit of Mynydd Marchywel and back. En route, guests follow mountain streams, climb over stiles, explore the bluebell woods and traverse lazy green fields. On a clear day, the panoramic vistas include the Swansea Valley, Swansea Bay, the Bristol Channel and the Brecon Beacons National Park. The cottage is an excellent base for those that want to explore the landscapes by bike. The Afan Forest and Bike Park Wales are easily accessible. There is a golf course close by for golf fans and the supermarket in Pontardawe is open 24 hours for those late night emergencies. There is also a village pub within walking distance.

The beautiful Swansea Bay coastline and the Gower Peninsula with its idyllic secret coves in and glorious stretches of fine sand is just twenty minutes drive away. You should not miss a trip to the iconic, award winning Rhossili Bay with its dramatic, panoramic views and excellent hiking paths. Rhossili has been described as 'The supermodel of British beaches' by The Independent and has won numerous accolades from UK Travel Writers



including the best spot for a picnic. The Times listed the beach as 'The UK's No.1 dog friendly beach' so if you do have your furry friend with you, you should definitely go. At low tide the beach is enormous and it is possible to walk across to Llangennith or even to the Worms Head. It is steep to walk down to the beach so it is not suitable for pushchairs or visitors with mobility issues.

The Victorian seaside village of Mumbles with its promenade, shops and restaurants is worth a visit and for those that want to stay outdoors, the National Showcaves of Wales and the Vale of Neath's spectacular waterfalls are nearby. Guests enjoy visits to the Pembrokeshire Coast National Park and the Glamorganshire Heritage Coast, both less than half an hour away.

Mumbles was one of Dylan Thomas' many stamping grounds and is the home of some world class ice cream. Mumbles is steeped in history with its lighthouse being built in 1794. It also boasts a Victorian pier and Oystermouth Castle which sits on the hilltop overlooking the sea. There are lovely boutique shops and galleries including the gorgeous Lovespoon Gallery and the Gower Gallery. No visit to Mumbles would be complete without sampling some 'fresh off the boat' seafood, its handmade chocolates and its fantastic ice creams.

Local Amenities

Nearest Town/City	Swansea (16.4km)
Nearest Town	Pontardawe (3.2km)
Nearest Restaurant	The Butcher's Arms, Pontardawe (2.8km)
Nearest Supermarket	Tesco Superstore, Pontardawe (3.4km)
Nearest Golf	Pontardawe Golf Club (4.9km)
Nearest Beach	Aberavon Beach (21km)

What we love

- Parkland Cottage is a gorgeous, cosy country cottage with a lovely lawned garden where you can watch lambs playing in the field and enjoy watching the sun go down with a chilled glass of wine in hand and a delicious barbecue on the go!
- This cosy country cottage is located on a private one hundred and twenty acre estate with wonderful country walks from the doorstep through the woodlands and beside the river
- Aside from the one hundred and twenty acre estate, the location is brilliant for exploring the Gower Peninsula and the Brecon Beacons

What you should know...

- One of the bedrooms features twin beds and therefore may be better suited to friends or siblings sharing
- We also feature some of the other cottages on the estate and the manor house so please speak to our Concierge Team if you are thinking of booking multiple properties on the estate

Terms & Conditions

- **Security deposit:** There is no security deposit, but should there be any damage or loss caused by you or your guests during your stay you will be liable for the cost.
- **Arrival time:** 4pm
- **Departure time:** 10am
- **Energy costs included?:** Yes, included in the rental price
- **Linen & towels included?:** Yes, included in the rental price
- **Pets welcome?:** No pets
- **Changeover day:** Friday
- **End of stay cleaning available?:** Yes, included in the rental price
- **Smoking Allowed?:** No smoking
- **Minimum stay:** Please note that there is a 2-night minimum stay, this may be increased across peak dates
- **Internet access?:** Yes, Wi-Fi is included in the rental price