

Carnegie House

Region: Highlands **Sleeps:** 20

Overview

Reached via a long driveway bordered by beech hedges, this remarkable Scottish residence combines centuries of heritage with the comfort of modern living. Whether you are planning a family gathering, a reunion with friends or a romantic rural wedding, Carnegie House provides an exceptional setting in the Aberdeenshire countryside where privacy, space and character come together.

Inside, the elegant drawing room, dining room and impressive entrance hall flow naturally into one another, providing wonderful spaces for socialising, dining and unwinding. A spacious kitchen with an Aga forms the heart of the house, whilst the breakfast room is a lovely place to start the day. Upstairs across various wings, eleven individually styled bedrooms and nine bathrooms, many en suite or private, offer charm, character and flexibility for up to 20 guests.

Beyond the house, beautifully maintained grounds provide ample space to explore, relax and reconnect with nature in a private setting. Wander through the estate admiring the varied colours of the season, enjoy a morning coffee on the patio or simply take in the verdant surroundings that have captivated visitors for generations. The sense of seclusion and freedom makes Carnegie House an outstanding choice for both self-catering escapes and exclusive events.

Steeped in history and owned by the Duke and Duchess of Fife, Carnegie House has been associated with the Bannerman family since 1367 and later became part of the Carnegie family through marriage. The estate has welcomed royalty over the centuries, with connections to Queen Mary, Queen Elizabeth II and other members of the Royal Family. Parts of the house date back to the 13th century, giving every stay a genuine sense of place and continuity.

Its location is equally appealing. Close to Stonehaven and Aberdeen, guests are perfectly placed to enjoy countryside walks, cycling routes, dramatic beaches, historic castles and some of Scotland's most celebrated golf courses.

Whether gathering for a memorable holiday or celebrating a once in a lifetime occasion, Carnegie House offers a setting where Scottish heritage, natural beauty and warm hospitality come together.

Facilities

Catering Available • Weddings • Surfing • Cycling • Tennis Nearby • Historical Sites • Canoeing/Kayaking • Horse Riding • <1hr to Airport • Walking/Hiking Paths • Romantic • Ideal for Kids • Fishing • Golf Nearby •



Special Offer • Has Discount • Chef/Cook Available • Licensed for Marriage • Marquee Hire Permitted • Ideal for Teens • Pets on Request • Beach Nearby • Outdoor Ceremony • Walk to Restaurant • Parking Space • Heritage Collection • Wi-Fi/Internet • Country Estate • Rural Location • Easy By Train • Indoor Reception Available • Washing Machine • Outstanding Landscapes • Nearby Church/Chapel • Hairdryer • Outdoor Pursuit & Activities • Tourist Towns & Villages • TV • Laptop Friendly Workspace • DVD • Tumble Dryer • Dishwasher • Microwave • AGA • Animal farm • Working Fireplace/Woodburner • Heating • Caves/Pre-historic site • Kid-friendly excursions • Forest park/High-rope course • Board games • Children's books • High Chair(s) • Fenced Grounds

Interior & Grounds

House Interiors

- Large entrance and reception hall
- WC x 2
- Formal dining room and double doors leading through to drawing room with sofas, armchairs, fireplace and TV
- Study/small lounge
- Breakfast room with steps leading up to kitchen, fully equipped including Aga, induction cooker, dishwasher, fridge, freezer, blender, kettle, microwave and toaster
- Utility room with washing machine (x2), dryer (x2) and ironing facilities

First Floor (across different wings and steps)

- Bridal bedroom with super king-size double bed and en suite bathroom (via steps) with bath and walk-in shower
- Bedroom with twin beds (can be joined as super king-size double) and en suite bathroom
- Bedroom with twin beds (can be joined as super king-size double)
- Shower room
- Shower room
- Bedroom with double bed and adjacent bathroom
- Bedroom with double bed and adjacent bathroom
- 2 bedroom suite. Bedroom with twin beds (can be joined as super king-size double), bedroom with single bed, and shared bathroom
- Bedroom with twin beds (can be joined as super king-size double) and separate shared bathroom (across the corridor)
- Bedroom with single bed and separate shared bathroom (across the corridor)
- Bedroom with super king-size double bed and en suite large shower room

Second Floor

- Bedroom with twin beds (can be joined as super king-size double) and en suite bathroom

Outside Grounds

- 12-acre garden and arboretum
- Patio with tables and chairs
- South-facing walled garden
- Outdoor lighting (front of house and walled garden)
- Waterways, bridge and pond
- Elevated site with marquee for events (via steps, 36x12m, available for events April to October)
- Parking area



Location & Local Information

Set within 12 acres of beautifully maintained gardens and surrounded by the rolling landscapes of Aberdeenshire, Carnegie House offers a countryside retreat in a region renowned for its spectacular coastline, historic landmarks and outdoor pursuits.

A local restaurant is only 1.7km away while supermarkets and everyday amenities can be reached within a 5 to 10-minute drive. Portlethen (4.5km) is home to a train station with departures towards Aberdeen, Montrose and other destinations.

Indeed, the vibrant city of Aberdeen (16km) and the charming coastal town of Stonehaven (11km) are both close at hand. Stonehaven is a delightful harbour town, home to independent cafés, seaside walks and the dramatic ruins of Dunnottar Castle (17km), one of Scotland's most iconic castles just south of the town. Perched on a rugged clifftop overlooking the North Sea, its unforgettable setting has captivated visitors for centuries. Other remarkable historic attractions include the National Trust for Scotland's Drum Castle, Garden and Estate (19km), Crathes Castle (23km) and the Royal Family's Scottish residence, Balmoral Castle (75km).

Beach lovers are equally well catered for. Aberdeen Beach (17km) boasts a sweeping stretch of golden sand and is one of the best places in Scotland to spot bottlenose dolphins during the summer months. Stonehaven Beach (12km) offers a traditional seaside atmosphere, while Balmedie Beach (47km) and St Cyrus Beach Nature Reserve (47km) showcase miles of unspoilt coastline, dramatic dunes and rich wildlife habitats.

Golf enthusiasts will find themselves spoilt for choice. Portlethen Golf Club (5km) offers an attractive parkland course designed by Donald Steel, while Stonehaven Golf Club (10km) combines breathtaking coastal scenery with a memorable challenge. Deeside Golf Club (17km), Royal Aberdeen (20km) and the acclaimed Trump International Golf Links (50km) provide further opportunities to experience some of Scotland's finest golfing landscapes.

For those eager to explore the outdoors, Aberdeenshire is a paradise for walking and cycling - scenic woodland trails, riverside paths and coastal routes weave through the region. Road cyclists can tackle everything from rolling farmland to demanding hill climbs, while mountain bikers will discover an array of trails through ancient forests, rugged hills and breathtaking scenery, making this a wonderful destination for active travellers.

Local Amenities

Nearest Airport	Aberdeen International Airport (24km)
Nearest Airport 2	Dundee Airport (100km)
Nearest Airport 3	Edinburgh Airport (181km)



Nearest Bar/Pub	Newton Arms (3.8km)
Nearest City	Aberdeen (16km)
Nearest Golf	Portlethen Golf Club (5km)
Nearest Restaurant	Local restaurant (1.7km)
Nearest Town	Stonehaven (11km)
Nearest Train Station	Portlethen/Aberdeen (4.5km/15km)
Nearest Village	Chapelton/Portlethen (2.5km/4.5km)
Nearest Supermarket	Tesco Superstore (3.5km)

What we love

- Stay in a historic Scottish residence with origins dating back to the 13th century, rich in heritage and royal connections - ideal for a family gathering or romantic rural wedding
- The elegant drawing room, dining room and grand entrance hall create wonderful spaces for celebrating and relaxing together
- Eleven charmingly styled bedrooms await, many with super king-size beds and en suite or private bathrooms
- Wander through the beautifully maintained private gardens, enjoying peaceful walks, seasonal colours and countryside surroundings
- Ideally located near Stonehaven and Aberdeen, with walks, cycling routes, vast beaches and historic castles within easy reach
- Golf enthusiasts can take advantage of some of Scotland's most celebrated golf courses across the region and beyond

What you should know...

- Families are welcome - highchairs can be requested and there's some children's books and toys. Please do note that careful child supervision is required due to the ponds and waterways in the beautiful garden.
- If you wish to arrange catering during your stay, the owners can put you in touch with a local company who can provide a chef and all catering equipment.

Terms & Conditions

- **Security deposit:** £500 paid via bank transfer to the owner one month before/upon arrival and refunded two weeks after departure, subject to full inspection.
- **Arrival time:** After 4.00 p.m.
- **Departure time:** By 10.00 a.m.
- **Energy costs included?:** Yes, included in the rental price
- **Linen & towels included?:** Yes, included in the rental price
- **Pets welcome?:** On request only (maximum of two pets) and with prior agreement with the owner. If accepted, a pet supplement of £10 per pet per stay will apply (payable locally). Pets are only allowed on the ground floor and they are not allowed to go in the kitchen.
- **Other Ts and Cs:** Weddings, hen parties and other special events are on request only and subject to prior arrangement with the owner and additional charges.
- **Changeover day:** Flexible.
- **End of stay cleaning:**
- **Smoking Allowed?:** Outside only.
- **Other 2:** Three highchairs can be requested in advance. The house also has two cots and two fold-away beds that can be put in certain rooms for babies/children, available on request with advance notice. Please bring your own cot linen.
- **Minimum stay:** 2 nights. 4 nights over Christmas and New Year
- **Heating costs included?:** Please note one box of firewood/logs is provided. Subsequent firewood is subject to an additional charge.
- **Stag & Hen Do Allowed? :** Hen parties are on request only and subject to prior arrangement with the owner and additional charges. Stag dos are not allowed.