

## THE BEAR, STOKE, HARTLAND



The Bear is a 16<sup>th</sup> century (or earlier) cottage in the heart of Stoke, a small hamlet between Hartland and Hartland Quay, in one of the most unspoilt parts of England. In the early 18thC it was, for a short time, a hostelry when Hartland Quay had had its licence withdrawn for rowdy and drunken behaviour! The hamlet of Stoke consists of a few cottages and the beautiful church of St Nectan, named 'The Cathedral of North Devon' due to its huge size and tall tower, once used by wreckers to entice ships onto the rocky shore whose captains believed it to be the lighthouse!

The Bear has been extensively renovated. It is cosy, whether you are two people or eight, and provides comfortable accommodation all year round. The cottage is part of the Hartland Abbey Estate, renowned for its beauty, which lies 3 miles south of Hartland Point and is within easy walking distance of the coast and Hartland Quay. Guests are able to enjoy the stunning Atlantic coastline with its huge cliffs, sandy beaches, rocky coves and views to Lundy Island. Surfers enjoy the big rollers at Hartland Quay and other coves nearby and there are plenty of beaches suitable for children within a short distance.

Hartland village has very good small shops, fresh fish nearby, a fruit and veg delivery; we do ask guests to support local stores wherever possible. On booking we send guests a list of local shops, pubs, restaurants, attractions etc. Hartland Quay has a good pub overlooking the Atlantic which is great fun for lunch or in the evening. Historic Hartland Abbey, formerly a 12thC monastery and in the same family ownership since the Dissolution, is close by; it has fascinating interiors and collections and wonderful gardens. There is a woodland walk to a wild Atlantic cove where the cottage was the location for 'Barton Cottage' in the BBC's adaptation for Jane Austen's 'Sense and Sensibility'. Clovelly is only 5 miles away with its cobbled street, donkeys and lovely harbour; there are also many other attractions within easy driving distance as are the towns of Barnstaple, Bideford and Bude. Exmoor is approximately an hour away. There is wonderful walking from the front door; wildflowers abound in spring and early summer.

## ACCOMMODATION (sleeps 8)

### Upstairs

Double room with kingsize double bed, ensuite shower, w.c. and handbasin. 2 twin bedded rooms, 1 bathroom with bath, w.c., handbasin.

**Downstairs:** Slate floored entrance hall leading into panelled inner hall. Half panelled sitting room with large open fireplace with woodburner, TV and DVD. V. small childrens room or snuggerly. Half panelled double room with kingsize double bed, bathroom with bath, shower, w.c., handbasin. Kitchen equipped for 8 people with Rangemaster electric cooker, double sink overlooking the garden, dishwasher, microwave, fridge freezer, pine table with seating for 8. Back



door and utility area with washing machine and tumble dryer, hanging for wet clothes, gumboots, wetsuits etc. Grassed garden with outdoor seating for 8. Off road parking for 2 cars but plenty of room in lane at front of cottage for cars. Central heating for winter/early spring months.

All bedlinen provided but guests must bring their own **towels, swimming towels and tea towels**. The cottage is let Friday -Friday (**Christmas and New Year weeks could be Monday 22 and Monday 29**) guests must vacate cottage by 10am and not arrive before 2pm so the cottage can be thoroughly cleaned between lets.

### **PRICES 2010 (per week)**

Up until 26th March	£505	June 4 <sup>th</sup> - 25 <sup>th</sup>	£755	Sept 3 <sup>rd</sup> , 10 <sup>th</sup>	£755
March 26 <sup>th</sup>	£515	July 2 <sup>nd</sup> , 9 <sup>th</sup>	£975	Sept 17 <sup>th</sup> - Oct 15th	£650
April 2 <sup>nd</sup> , 9th	£885	July 16th - Aug 20th	£1275	Oct 22nd	£885
April 16 <sup>th</sup> - May 21st	£650	Aug 27th	£1065	Oct 29 <sup>th</sup> - December 10 <sup>th</sup>	£505
May 28 <sup>th</sup>	£1065			Christmas and New Year	£1070

Between May 1<sup>st</sup> - October 1<sup>st</sup> central heating, if required, will be charged at £50 per week extra.

### **Booking details**

On receipt of a deposit of 25% of the weekly rent your booking will be confirmed. The balance is due one month before the holiday commences, on receipt of which further details will be forwarded to you, together with a helpful list of local services. All cheques should be made payable to Lady Stucley Holiday Letting A/c and sent to the address below.

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