
Best of British B&B revival in the New Forest

If you go down to the woods today be sure of a big surprise. In the enchanting New Forest, B&B landladies are fighting back against budget hotels and the rules, regulations, hairnets and pinnies which some perceive as their traditional image.

Instead they offer comfortable beds, crisp cotton sheets, wonderful local produce breakfasts and a friendly welcome along with mod cons such as Wi-Fi and flat screen TVs . . . as well as an acorn and oak leaf symbol which marks a New Forest Tourism Association quality stamp of excellence.

New Forest [B&Bs](#) offer the personal touch which budget hotels can't compete with. For the same price, or less, visitors get an insider's local knowledge of [what's on](#), [where to eat](#), [what to do](#), [where to go](#) and an intimate insight into the New Forest, its [wildlife](#), [walks](#) and [cycle](#) trails.

B&Bs not only provide a unique place to stay but they can help plan their guests' whole itinerary, with recommendations of the best local [attractions](#) and [activities](#).

The wide range of B&Bs reflects the eclectic choice of settings in the New Forest:

Choose a stay overlooking the open forest and at dawn or dusk you may catch sight of several deer grazing in the half-light. Open your window at night to hear the nocturnal sounds of the forest's wildlife, including badgers, foxes and owls. Then in the morning, wake to the uplifting sound of the dawn chorus.

The coastal region of the New Forest, which runs along the Solent shore, is on one of the most important bird migration routes in the country. B&Bs on the coast can offer a haven for bird watchers or just enjoy magical sunsets over the water, cliff-top walks above miles of sandy beaches or watch the boats sailing by.

You can even stay in ground-breaking themed rooms such as eco suites, where you [pedal power your TV](#). The New Forest offers a guide to B&Bs that provide the best [welcome to children](#) and those which are [dog-friendly](#).

Wherever you choose to stay New Forest B&Bs, which are also awarded for their excellence by Visit Britain and the AA, have moved forward into the 21st Century representing some of the very best examples of their trade.

Many offer a [New Forest Breakfast](#), a sumptuous speciality created by leading New Forest chefs to include at least three New Forest Marque foods, often free range and organic and always local right down to the bread which has been made using wheat that was grown, milled and baked locally.

New Forest B&Bs offer the best short break and longer stays which will leave you feeling refreshed and with wonderful memories which will make you want to return again and again.

For the full details of where to stay and what to do in the New Forest, visit www.thenewforest.co.uk.

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