

Sandy Court, Mawgan Porth

Dear Guests,

Welcome to our beach house. We really hope you enjoy the house and surrounding area as much as we do and wish you a happy and comfortable stay. We have put together a manual for the house and some places nearby, you may like to visit.

Slow down to Cornwall's pace and find yourself lulled by the serenity of the sea. Enjoy quiet, sunbleached days at the beach, watch occasional wild and spectacular storms whip up the sea. Follow the rugged and beautiful coastal scenery or visit tranquil gardens, such as Heligan or Eden. Walk around meandering, cobbled streets in Padstow and St Ives. Sample local produce and freshly caught seafood from nearby Inns and hostelrys, smart restaurants or let a pint of award winning St Austell ale reach the other parts. Sample many bars and nightlife in Newquay. For the adventurous, try Lusty Glaze adventure centre or Extreme Academy at Watergate Bay

Discover soft, sandy expansive beaches and crystal blue sea. Wake up to this view from bed. Mawgan Porth was ranked 6th best beach holiday in the world by Sunday Times

During the year, there are lively feast days all over Cornwall, also Daphne du Maurier festival (May) and Padstow Obby Oss, Run to the Sun at Porth, Royal Cornwall Festival (June), Charlestown and Fowey Regatta week (August) Live music festivals at Eden sessions (July) and Boardmasters at Watergate (August) Other bands at Princess Pavillion (Falmouth) and music, theatre and dance at Hall for Cornwall and the famous cliff-side Minack. Art galleries, such as the Tate, St Ives...the list is endless

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House Facilities

- Electric fire in lounge. This has a remote control and instant heat settings
- Hot water, switch is by fridge Please remember to switch OFF straight after use as this will use up the electric. Also get's very HOT if left on for long
- Electric coin-operated meter takes £1 coins in corner kitchen by cooker
- Storage heaters, wall switch, heat overnight (kitchen, lounge and upstairs)
- Oven/grill and ceramic hob Check cooker switch on (big orange wall switch).
- Washing machine is available
- Microwave, Fridge with freezer compartment
- Shower has pull cord, to switch on. Please leave door open to ventilate room
- Outside light and seating area, facing towards sea Parking space for number 3

There are iron ,dustpan/brush and cleaning materials in the kitchen if you wish to use them. RCD protected trip switch in corner of kitchen(by window)

- TV and FreeSat -press power on button on tv

- on black remote control press "sky" button (no sky card is required)

this will display "searching for listings, please wait" wait a few seconds

then on tv guide select "all channels"

BBC1-channel 101, BBC2-102, ITV-103, Ch4-104, ITV2-118, ITV3-119, ITV4-120, ITV2+1-131, E4-136, More4-138, Film 24-157, Cbbc, news, music, shopping ch

DVD player- swap SCART from Freesat box to DVD (Pacific remote for DVD)

Local Amenities

- Village store has a deli and off license. Also often has barbecue products and local produce and fresh bakeries Also Bre Pen farm shop (on the hill) fresh cakes, home grown produce, local veg, cheese, thai curries and coffee shop
- Supermarkets Morrisons (off Treloggan rd A392) petrol station and Somerfield (in Newquay) are both within a 10 min drive
- Bedruthan Step's Hotel a 10min walk up the hill, to LHS with access to children's play equipment, swimming pool, gym Spa, tennis courts
- Pitch 'n' Putt course opposite house (a saxon burial ground)
- Post Office and church at St Mawgan (inland road-windy)
- Banks can be found in St Columb, also butcher, co-op store Cashpoints and banks are available in Newquay
- Golf courses at Fistral and St Merryn and horse riding, 15min drive away
- Karting at St Eval
- Watersports surf hire shops and tuition at King Surf Mawgan Porth
Surf hire and tuition, kite-surfing, mountain boarding available at Watergate
Zip wire, abseiling, rock climbing and coasteering at Porth (Lusty Glaze)
- Zoo, Aquarium, model railway, park, tennis courts and boating lake all in Newquay
- Lappa Valley railway, Dairyland and Macdonalds Farm, Cider Farm Creally 20min drive
- Bus timetables available from tel 01637 871871 Western Greyhound every 2h from Mawgan Porth to Newquay or 556 coastal bus to Padstow
- Fishing trips from Newquay harbour, take in the scenery and maybe spot a dolphin or basking shark on the way. Look out for the friendly, resident seals in the harbour.
- Gardens, World famous Eden and Heligan are 1h drive. Japanese garden and Trelice NT nearby

- Shopping at the Newquay or Kingsley village A30 or Truro (30min drive away)
- Station is a 15min drive, library(with internet facility) and Leisure centre (Waterworld) are all in Newquay
- Cycling - the Camel trail starts 20mins away at Padstow and links Wadebridge and Bodmin (cycle hire available at both ends), follows river inland
- Walks - The north Cornish coast path- beautiful walks nearby. You can access from RHS of beach up the steps towards Bedruthan Steps, this is quite steep in places but worth the dramatic scenery and some refreshments at the National Trust café above Bedruthan steps The parking area directly outside number 3 has a little path from the RHS corner through the dunes to the beach (5mins,steep at bottom)

You can walk from Newquay to Mawgan Porth, about a 6 mile work, graded 3+ an excellent walk, fine sandy beaches the whole way. Through Newquay centre, the walk leaves the road at Tolcarne beach. (at low tide you can walk on the sand) The Island is open in summer as a tea garden. There are numerous caves in this part. The walk takes you to Porth island and the headland, along the cliff top at Watergate Bay with fabulous views. Then continuing past Berryls Point and then Mawgan Porth (arriving LHS of beach)

Beaches in the Area

Newquay is home to some of the best surfing beaches in Europe. Mawgan Porth is lucky enough to be one of those that picks up the best surf and is great both at low and high tide

“There are better known and busier beaches in Cornwall but few match the rare beauty of Mawgan Porth. Surf is ideal for beginners”

- **Mawgan Porth golden sandy beach,expansive at low tide with lots of caves and rock pools,river. Coastal path,to Watergate and Bedruthan Merrymoor pub and beer garden. Flame restaurant. Surf hire and tuition available**
- **Watergate, expansive stretch of white, sandy beach. Fifteen restaurant, Watergate Bay Hotel, takeaway service, toilets. Extreme Acadamey-watersports**
- **Fistral, Porth, Town, Narrowcliff, Harbour, Crantock beach all around Newquay**
- **Bedruthan Steps, beautiful dramatic scenery, steep cliffs, epic headlands and rock stacks, caves and National Trust café, steps to beach at low tide, footpath**
- **Harlyn, Porthcothan, Constantine, Treyarnon all worth a look, great sandy beaches, with surf on pretty road toward Padstow- all within 15 min drive**

Just 30 min drive is the south coast with contrasting scenery, popular for sailing enthusiasts and canoeing. Beaches are often pebbly with cobbled streets and harbours, eg Fowey, Charlestown, Mevagissey, Pentewan.

Places to Eat

Within Mawgan Porth there are several choices. The Merrymoor Inn for good hearty pub grub (homemade and generous portions) family area and beer garden. Flame a bistro serving local seafood and a relaxed atmosphere with indoor/outdoor seating. Bedruthan Steps Hotel and Scarlet Hotel(smart adults only)

Fish and chip takeaway

The Traveller's Rest at Trevanion (top hill) with family meals

Fifteen Jamie Oliver restaurant (booking recommended) brunches, lunch and dinners.

Takeaway snacks from beach at Watergate

Watergate Hotel (bistro bar and restaurant), take in the scenery overlooking bay

Phoenix (informal, live music most weekends, outdoor/indoor seating)

The Falcon Inn in a beautiful setting at St Mawgan a traditional 16thC pub with charming sheltered garden and seating

There are Indian, Mexican and pizza restaurants all within a few miles in Newquay. If you follow the main road along, there are more takeaways and numerous restaurants, bars and clubs to suit every budget. Can get busy in summer

A picturesque 20 min drive up the coast to Padstow, brings you to a variety of restaurants, several run by Rick Stein and the new no.6 run by Gordon Ramsay trained chef's. If you have time, take the ferry over to Rock and visit Polzeath and Daymer Bay

Departure Details

Please vacate by 10.00 am on Saturday morning.

On departure, please leave the house as found on arrival. Please leave the key as found. A charge may be taken out of deposit if excessive cleaning is required or for any breakages. (we request breakages are notified to avoid incurring extra fee please)

If you vacate prior to this time please could you notify us by text/phone

- Waste collected on Mondays. Please place **bagged** rubbish in the bins provided outside (seagulls attack otherwise)
- Recycling collected on Mondays (plastic bags for these in kitchen drawer; please leave tucked in at roadside at entrance to car park) or recycling points for bottles, cans, plastic , paper at Morrisons

Please observe that this is a no smoking house

Please close windows and lock doors to maintain security, whenever leaving house

Please do not remove this manual, so other guests can make use of it

*Wishing you a most enjoyable stay **Zehra & Alan (2011) tel 07968 252 853***

Our plans for 2012, whilst depending on the necessary consents, would be to add a balcony and possibly extend the lounge area.