



Talbontdrain Guest House Uwchygarreg, Machynlleth Powys, Wales SY20 8RR

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The House

Talbontdrain is a 500 year old farmhouse built of stone. It is in the middle of sheep pastures with lovely views from every window.

There is a comfortable sitting room with a log fire in winter, and lots of books. There is no television at Talbontdrain.

The dining room is large with a huge round table and a pianola.

There are four bedrooms, one double with an ensuite bathroom. Two rooms that can be either twin or double, one of which has an ensuite shower, and a single room. Children can be squeezed into some rooms at no extra cost.

Who Lives Here

Talbontdrain is run by Hilary Matthews, who moved there in 1985 and converted it from a run-down farmhouse into a guesthouse. There is a friendly dog, who can be borrowed for walks, a cat, lots of chickens and some rather over-enthusiastic ducks.

The Food

The food is all really home made, all cooked on the

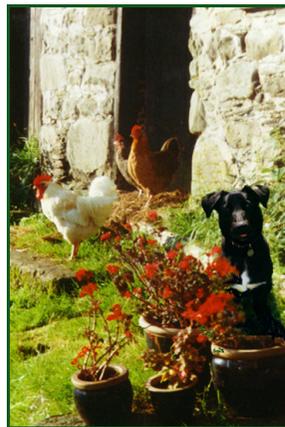
evening of the meal - the portions are generous and there are usually second helpings. Vegetarians and vegans are welcome, and Hilary will try to cater for other diets too. Most people who stay really enjoy the food and it is often the reason that they return! Please book in advance

for a meal on arrival. You are welcome to bring your own wine.

Travel

By car from London take the M1 or M6 then the M54. Then take the A5, A458, A470, A489. It takes about four and a half hours provided you don't hit the traffic jam round Birmingham. For other routes please ring, and for local detail please see the map on the back.

By train, come to Machynlleth on the line from Shrewsbury, from London take a train to Euston, usually change



at Wolverhampton or Birmingham. You can ask Hilary to book a taxi to meet you if she can't do it herself.

Walking: Glyndwr's Way, Wales's newest National Trail, runs right through the yard.

By bicycle, we are half a mile off the Alternative Sustrans 8 route. The house is four miles (all uphill!) from Machynlleth.

Things to do

Talbontdrain is about twelve miles from the coast and the sandy beaches at Aberdovey and Borth. The Centre for Alternative Technology is seven miles away, and there is a Leisure Centre in Machynlleth. There are golf courses in the area, you can hire bikes, and the walking is fantastic. You can go down slate mines, visit castles, or go fishing. You'd better book for a week straight away!

A small note about dogs. As we are in sheep country and have a dog at the house, guests are asked to discuss with Hilary before bringing their own dogs.

What they've said about us.

"A beautiful place, the food is delicious and the company great"
Steve Dana

"Delicious fresh food. Calm and tranquil surroundings. All family and livestock v. friendly - Thanks for a lovely stay"
Rosie Thoennisson



"Thanks for feeding us so well and the cat for her entertainment"
Sue and Alison Smith

"Came tense 'towny' worried about the dust, left

relaxed, full of excellent food and remembering what's really important in life"

Sharon Bartlett

"Perfect. Simply Perfect. We will be back! Thank you 10/10 A*" "
Clive and Carol Thompson

"Beautiful place, lovely food and the kids have really enjoyed the freedom to be able to roam around. Thank you"

Sophie, Adrian, Annie, Oscar and Molly Blundell.

"Totally stress free"
Kevin Lewis



"Just like visiting friends - but no need to offer to help!"
Diane Williams

"Magical, could become addictive!"
Tony and Liz Morgan

"To say this was wonderful, filling, restorative isn't to say enough. We love it here, we love you (and your potatoes)"