

# Welcome

Welcome to our family's hotel, Deans Place Country Hotel & Restaurant.

We may be biased, but we believe that Alfriston is one of the most beautiful villages in England, rich with history, culture and of course breath-taking countryside.

The Cuckmere Valley with its River Cuckmere, which the hotel sits alongside, is where we call home and we hope to extend that feeling to each and every guest to our hotel.

As a family we adore animals, and as a pet-friendly hotel, we enjoy welcoming your well-behaved pets too. Keep an eye out for our resident chickens that like to visit the grounds.

On behalf of the team here, we wish you an enjoyable and comfortable stay. If there is anything we can do to enhance your stay with us, please do not hesitate to speak with us or a member of our team.

Best wishes,



Lucinda & James

Lucinda & James Dopson



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# History

Deans Place Hotel dates back over six centuries and it is an honour to live and work in a building so steeped in history. We like to see ourselves as custodians of this fine and important building and think forward to future generations enjoying the wonderful sights and sounds that Alfriston, and specifically Deans Place, has to offer.

We are often asked, “Who is Dean?”. The exact history of the name “Deans Place” is unknown to us and has been lost through the years. There is a thought that “Deans” comes from the old Saxon word “DENE”, which means lowland. There was also a previous owner that went by the name of John de Dene who owned the estate around 1355 and may have named the building after himself.

Deans Place itself has served several purposes throughout its life. Primarily it was a vast farming estate encompassing hundreds of acres. Later, during the 1860s, it served as a pesthouse housing the sick and during the first world war, it became a Hydro which was a very upmarket place to stay in its time.

Deans Place Hotel is now proud to be a family-run hotel boasting 35 bedrooms, an award winning restaurant “The Dining Room”, a cosy bar, lounges with open fires and popular function rooms hosting an array of weddings, parties, live events and much more throughout the year.

There are four acres of beautiful grounds here encompassing a croquet lawn, outdoor heated swimming pool, petanque court, gardens and even three paddocks for guests to bring their horses while riding the South Downs Way.

In 2010 the South Downs was awarded National Park status which we are extremely proud to support. We were pioneering in our fundraising for the National Park by adding a voluntary £2 to each bill and in 2018 we presented the Trust with a cheque for £1773.36 from our guest’s generosity, helping to make repairs to the footpaths as well as funding conservation projects for the rare wildlife inhabiting the Park.

A former 16th Century shepherd’s cottage where actor Sir Dirk Bogarde grew up can be seen from the hotel’s grounds. In his memoir “Great Meadow” he recalls his Sussex childhood around this wonderful village during the late 1920s and 1930s as a time of harvests and harvest mice, of oil lamps, walks over the South Downs to buy sweets from nearby Seaford, childhood adventures, and reflects on the feelings of gentleness as the world prepared for war.

Denis Healey, along with his wife Edna, were also Alfriston residents. We have fond memories of them dining in the Hotel’s restaurant and hearing their wonderful stories and helping them celebrate milestone birthdays and anniversaries.



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Alfriston Clergy House, which sits beside St Andrew's Church "The Cathedral of the South Downs" and only a short stroll along the river could not encompass the history and depth of this wonderful area more.

The house was built back in 1350 during the reign of Edward III. A rare surviving example of a Wealden timber-framed medieval hall house. It was unusual for the priest of the parish to live there however, and during its life as a residential home, the house was primarily rented out by the church as a source of income. It was later to be the first building to be purchased and saved "for everyone forever" by the then newly formed National Trust in 1896.

Alfriston is also proud to have the delightful zoo, Drusillas. Always boasting family day out awards, it is a treat for the whole family and generations can look back together and remember the zoo how it was in their day, as the zoo first opened its doors in 1922!

The Cuckmere Valley is not a place to only be lost in nostalgia, but one rich in new and exciting projects as well. The Long Man Brewery in Litlington, which can be seen across the river from Deans Place, create award-winning beer in a converted flint barn, where the environment and sustainability are at the heart of everything they do. Some mornings, you will be able to smell the hops brewing as you take a walk along the river. We recommend during your stay, you take some time to relax in our bar or garden and try a real Sussex ale!

Rathfinny Wine Estate was established in 2010 by Mark and Sarah Driver. With south-facing slopes close to the sea, a fantastic climate and chalk soils all help towards making it a perfect place to produce wine. There are some wonderful walks to be had around the estate with information spots along the route to learn of their journey and vision. The first sparkling wine was bottled in 2018 and we are proud to now stock our cellar with such excellent wine from our own valley.

Michael and Gillian Clinch, Sussex people through and through, purchased Deans Place in 2008 when they instantly fell in love with the views from the hotel across the Cuckmere Valley. Deans Place is very much a family run hotel as their daughter Lucinda and husband James, run the hotel, along with a little help from their son Sebastian. Their labradors, chickens and ducks can often be seen enjoying the grounds of the hotel too.

We hope that you enjoy your stay here with us, and take a moment to reflect on the vast history of not just this beautiful building, but also all that this pocket of East Sussex has to offer.



# Guest Services

## Emergencies

In the unfortunate case of an emergency please dial '9' for an outside line, followed by '999'.

If you require medical assistance at any time during your stay from our on-duty first aider please call reception on '0'.

## Old School Surgery

*The Furlongs, Alfriston, Polegate BN26 5XT*

01323 870244

Local doctor's surgery

## Eastbourne District General Hospital

*Kings Drive, Eastbourne BN21 2UD*

01323 417400

Local hospital for emergencies

## Fire Precautions

Please note that our fire alarms are tested every Monday at 10:30am.

It is very important that you familiarise yourself with our procedure in the event of a fire. The Fire Notice is located on the back of your bedroom door which highlights the nearest fire escape. In the event of a fire, you should make your way to the fire assembly point which is situated on the front lawn. In the event of an evacuation, please do not re-enter the building until told to do so by staff or a member of the fire service.

If you are unsure of any of our fire procedures, please ask to speak to a manager. If you will require assistance in the event of an emergency, please let us know in advance so that we will be able to notify the fire service.

## Car Parking

The Hotel's car park is complimentary for our residents. We have two car parks; one located at the front of the hotel with approximately 20 spaces with 2 parking bays reserved for disabled guests and a larger car park located towards the back entrance of the hotel with approximately 80 spaces. Please be aware that management cannot be held responsible or liable for any thefts or damage to any vehicles left in the car park.



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## **Pets**

Deans Place is a proudly pet-friendly hotel. We love you bringing your well-behaved pets with you on holiday. We do however ask that pet owners respect other guests that may be less enthused by your furry friends. We politely ask you to keep dogs on a lead at all times throughout the hotel, including in the gardens, clean up after them and keep their noise to a minimum. Dogs are welcome in all parts of the hotel, except in the Dining Room, unless they are service animals. A dog waste bin is located down the stairs at the end of the terrace, on the left as you enter the back gardens.

## **Cliffe Veterinary Group**

*21 Cliffe High St, Lewes BN7 2AH*

A vets based in the centre of Lewes, East Sussex, with branch surgeries at Woodingdean and Ringmer. Check website for opening times.  
[www.cliffevets.co.uk](http://www.cliffevets.co.uk)

## **Not Just Poodles**

*17 Claremont Rd, Seaford BN25 2PF*

A friendly, vet recommended, established grooming salon and pet store in Seaford. Check website for opening times.  
[www.notjustpoodles.co.uk](http://www.notjustpoodles.co.uk)

## **Walks**

We have some fantastic walking available on our doorstep. To help you discover these we have some handy walking guides available in the front of this book and also in reception.

## **Hot Water**

Being an old building we can occasionally have issues with hot water taking its time to reach all of our rooms. If you are experiencing difficulty, we suggest running the hot bath tap if you have one in your room or a hot sink tap. This will encourage it to get moving on those early mornings. If you are having difficulty, please call us to help, that's what we are here to do.

## **Check Out**

Guests are politely asked to vacate their rooms by 11am. If you would like to check out later please enquire with our reception team. If you require assistance with your luggage, please dial reception on '0'.

Please remember to hand your key back to us, otherwise, a charge of £50 will be applied to your bill.



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### **Late Entry**

If you are returning after 11pm please note that the front door will be locked. Please ring the doorbell to alert the Night Manager.

### **Postage**

It is always nice to let people know how your holiday is going and if you would like any letters or postcards sent please hand these to reception, where the post is collected each morning. Stamps are available to purchase.

### **Swimming Pool**

Our outdoor swimming pool is usually open from May-September. Hotel guests may use the pool from 8am to 7pm. Please be aware that a lifeguard does not supervise the pool and that an adult must accompany any children under the age of 16 at all times. It is also advisable to not swim alone, regardless of your ability. A seating area for relaxing and sunbathing is available around the pool. Food and drink is permitted in the seating area but please do avoid bringing food or drink into the pool itself. Pool towels are located in the hut and should you require further towels please let reception know. Dressing gowns can be obtained from reception.

### **Petanque and Garden Games**

If you wish to hire our petanque, or garden games please enquire at reception. There is a small deposit required, which can be placed on your room bill. This deposit is fully refunded on the safe return of any equipment hired.

Unfortunately we can only hire equipment out to guests over 16 or children with accompanying adults due to the necessary deposit.

### **Hair Dryer**

All rooms are equipped with a hair dryer which can be located in your dressing table drawer.

### **Heaters**

Radiators and towel rails can be individually controlled for your comfort. We have a limited number of additional heaters available in the event of extremely cold weather. Please let the reception know if you require any assistance with this.



## **Restaurant & Bar**

If you wish to dine in our Restaurant please call or speak to Reception who can book you a table. A copy of tonight's dinner menu is available to view in reception, or feel free to ask them to email a copy to you. We also serve the same menu in our bar area or outside if the weather is kind. We recommend that you book a table to avoid disappointment. If you wish to dine with your dogs in the bar, please let us know so we can reserve you an appropriate table.

## **Dining Times:**

### **Breakfast:**

Monday to Saturday 7am to 10am

Sundays & Bank Holidays 8am to 10am

### **Afternoon Tea**

Available Thursday to Sunday from 3pm to 5pm. Please note that booking is essential.

### **Lunch**

Monday to Friday Midday to 3pm

Saturday and Sunday Midday to 4pm

### **Dinner**

Everyday 6pm to 9pm

**Room Service** Please dial '0' to place an order from the room service menu (located on page 7). Please be aware there is a tray charge of £5 applicable.

### **Tea & Coffee**

If you are looking around and wondering where to make a cup of tea or coffee, a kettle and coffee making facilities can usually be located in your wardrobe. This is so that you have a little extra space in your bedroom on surface areas.

We have a great selection of teas, available in the bar as well as wonderful coffee from Roasted, a local Sussex company..

### **Water**

Not all of the bedrooms are fed by mains water at present, so we do not recommend drinking the water from the bathroom tap, however it is fine to be used in the kettle or espresso machine if available. Bottled water is provided in your room and if you require additional bottles please notify reception.



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## Telephone

To contact Reception, please dial '0'.

To dial an outside line please press '9' followed by the number. For internal calls to another bedroom please dial '2' followed by the room number (for rooms 1-9 please dial '20' followed by the room number, e.g. room 9 would be 209)

Costs of external calls are listed below and are based on BT units.

The following charges are an example of a one minute call

Local Daytime £0.29	National Daytime £0.58
Local Evening £0.29	National Evening £0.29
Local Weekend £0.29	National Weekend £0.29

## Mobile Numbers

Mobile rates vary considerably dependant upon network. On-peak from £1.16 and off-peak from 58p. Calling mobile phones from overseas is approximately £5.00 per minute

## Directory Enquiries

From £4.35 per minute.

## International (£ per minute)

France £2.32 USA £1.74 Spain £2.90 Ireland £1.88 Germany £2.32 China £8.15 Italy £2.82

The costs will be automatically logged to your bedroom account and charged per unit according to peak and off-peak times.

## Wifi

We have recently installed a lease-line at Deans Place, giving you much better internet access than before. This will make it possible to watch your favourite shows on your personal devices much easier as well as making and receiving calls on your mobile devices, assuming you use "Wifi Calling".

To access the internet please go to settings on your device and connect to "Deans Place Public Wifi" and follow any instructions. If you have any difficulty connecting, please let us know.

## Messages

If during your stay, we receive any messages for you, we will endeavour to contact you via telephone. If we are unable to reach you, we will leave a note in your bedroom.



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## Television

1	- BBC1	40	- Sony Crime Channel
2	- BBC2	41	- Food Network
3	- ITV	42	- DMAX
4	- Channel 4	43	- Gems TV
5	- Channel 5	44	- Channel 5+1
6	- ITV2	45	- Film 4+1
9	- BBC4	46	- Challenge
10	- ITV3	47	- 4Seven
11	- Pick TV	48	- Movies4Men
12	- Dave	49	- TJC
13	- Channel 4+1	54	- 5Select
14	- More	57	- Paramount Network
15	- Film 4	58	- ITVBe+1
16	- QVC	59	- ITV4+1
17	- Really	61	- True Entertainment
18	- 4Music	62	- True Movies
19	- Yesterday	63	- Blaze
20	- Drama	64	- The Store
21	- 5 USA	65	- TBN UK
22	- Ideal World	66	- CBS Reality
23	- Create and Craft	70	- Horror
24	- ITV4	71	- CBS Drama
25	- Home	72	- YourTV
26	- ITVBe	79	- Dave Ja Vu
27	- ITV2+1	81	- Taking Pictures TV
28	- E4	83	- Quest + 1
29	- E4+1	85	- Hochanda
30	- 5Star	87	- Keep it Country
31	- 5Spike	201	- CBBC
32	- Sony Movie Channel	202	- CBeebies
33	- ITV+1	203	- CITV
34	- ITV3+1	206	- POP
35	- QVC Beauty	231	- BBC News
36	- QVC Style	232	- BBC Parliament
37	- Quest	233	- Sky News
38	- Quest Red	234	- RT
39	- CBS Justice		



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## **Toiletries & Towels**

As part of our commitment towards a 'greener' environment, for stays longer than 1 night, we will change the towels and sheets after the 3rd night of your stay. However, if you wish to have any fresh towels during your stay please leave the used ones in the bath for the housekeeper to change. If you require any further toiletries or towels please contact reception. Please leave the hanger outside the door if you do not wish to have your room serviced.

We trust you will find everything in your bedroom, however, should you require any additional items please contact our Reception team who are available 24 hours a day.

## **Wake Up Call**

Please contact Reception if you are in need to arrange a wake-up call during your stay.

## **Bills and Payments**

We hope you enjoy your stay with us. Any extras you wish to charge to your bedroom can be done so and you may be asked to confirm your name and show your room key as confirmation. These extras will need be settled before your departure. Please be aware that we do not accept Diners Club but all other major credit and debit cards are accepted.

If you wish to depart earlier than 7am, we recommend you settle your bill the night before with our reception team.

## **Safe**

If you would like to store any item of value in our safe, please speak to reception who will help you with this.

## **Lost Property**

We have a central lost property point where items are handed in and recorded. Please contact our reception team who can hopefully help you with reclaiming any lost property. Please be aware that we hold items for a maximum of 6 months. Any unclaimed property after this time will be disposed of.



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### **Irons & Ironing Boards**

Some of our bedrooms are equipped with irons and ironing boards. These can be found in the wardrobe. If your room does not, and you wish to use one, please contact Reception.

### **Dry Cleaning & Laundry**

If you require any items to be dry cleaned or laundered please place your items in the allocated laundry bag which can be found in your dressing table drawer and hand this in to reception.

If you do require any dry cleaning to be done, please let us know in the morning so we can aim to return your items to us as soon as possible, which in most cases will be the next working day.

Our prices are as follows;

- 3 Piece Suit - £25
- 2 Piece Suit - £24.50
- Trousers - £12.50
- Jacket - £15
- Waistcoat - £8.50
- Padded Jacket - from £15
- Quilted Jacket - from £15
- Full-Length Coat - from £20
- 3/4 Length Coat - from £20
- Woollens - from £12
- Casual Dress - from £15
- Evening Dress - from £25
- Plain Skirt - £12.50
- Pleated Skirt - £12.50
- Scarves - £9
- Ties - £8.50
- Dressing Gown - £15
- Plain Blouse - £12
- Shirts - £8.50
- Silk Shirt/Blouse - £11.50



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# Lunch & Dinner

*Lunch is available from midday to 3pm, Monday to Saturday  
midday until 4pm on Sunday*

*Dinner is available from 6pm to 9pm daily*

The daily menu is available to view outside the Dining Room.

If you would like to dine with us,  
please reserve your table with our reception team.

We are also able to serve our dinner menu in the bar area if you would prefer.

If you would like to dine in your room,  
the Lunch & Dinner Menu is available for room service during service hours.

## Packed Lunches

If you wish to order a packed lunch during your stay, please speak to reception

## Cream Tea and Cakes

*served daily until 5pm*

### Cake

£5 per slice

Ask for today's choice, available all day

### Cream Tea

£9.95 per person

Choice of tea served with two scones, clotted cream, and preserves



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# Afternoon Tea

£19.95 per person

Choice of tea served with a selection of the following sandwiches cut from granary and white bread;

Smoked Salmon | Cucumber & Dill with Cream Cheese  
Free Range Egg Mayonnaise & Cress | Gammon Ham & Mustard Mayonnaise

Served with seasonal patisseries, scones, clotted cream, and preserves

For a Sparkling Afternoon Tea we have a choice of  
a glass of Botter Prosecco £7 or Rathfinny Cuvee £10

For a full list of drinks, please ask your waiter

## Tea & Coffee

(included with Cream Tea and Afternoon Tea)

**Twinings Tea : £3.50** | english breakfast (decaf available) | earl grey  
| redbush | lapsang souchong

**Teapigs : £3.50** | darjeeling | chai | jasmine pearls | lemon & ginger | super fruit  
| chamomile | mao feng green tea | peppermint | fresh mint tea

**Coffee :** espresso £3 | double espresso £3.50 | machiato £3.50 |  
black americano £3.50 | white americano £4 | flat white £4  
latte £4 | cappuccino £4

**Hot Chocolate : £3.50 | £4 with whipped cream and marsmallows**

oat, almond and soya milks are available

If you suffer from any food allergies or intolerances,  
full allergen information is available, please speak to your waiter.  
Our food is not prepared in a nut-free environment



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# Drinks

<b>Draught Beer</b>	<b>ABV</b>	<b>Pint</b>	<b>Half</b>
Long Man Long Blonde	3.8%	£5.00	£3.00
Harvey's Best	4.0%	£5.00	£3.00
Camden Hells Lager	4.6%	£5.50	£3.50
Camden Pale Ale	4.0%	£5.50	£3.50
Stella Artois	4.8%	£5.50	£3.50
Numb Angel, Gun Brewery <i>vgn &amp; gf</i>	4.0%	£5.50	£3.50
South West Cider	5%	£5.00	£3.00
Guinness	4.1%	£5.50	£3.50

<b>Bottled Beer</b>	<b>ABV</b>	<b>330ml</b>
Corona	4.5%	£4.50
Peroni Nastro Azzuro	5.1%	£4.50
Old Mout	4.0%	£5.00
Peroni Libera (non-alcoholic)	.00%	£3.50

# Gins

Bombay Sapphire, Gordon's, Gordon's Pink, Tanqueray Export | £4

Boodles, Brighton, Brockman's, Broker's, Caorunn, Edgerton Pink  
Mayfield, Plymouth, Portobello, Silent Pool, Sipsmith, Sipsmith Sloe,  
Warner Edward's Rhubarb, Whitley Neill | £4.50

Arber, Chilgrove, Gin Mare, Hayman's Old Tom, Hendrick's, Seven Sisters | £5

Aviation, Bathtub, Death's Door, Monkey 47, Martin Miller's Westbourne | £6

Folkington's Tonic | £2

# Soft Drinks

Folkington's Elderflower	£3
Folkington's Rhubarb & Apple	£3
Folkington's Lemon & Mint	£3
J2O Orange & Passionfruit	£3
J2O Apple & Mango	£3
J2O Apple & Raspberry	£3
Pepsi	sm £2.50   lg £3.50
Diet Pepsi	sm £2.50   lg £3.50
Lemonade	sm £2.50   lg £3.50
Coca Cola   Diet Coke   Coke Zero	330ml bottle   £3.00
Appletiser	£3
Ginger Beer	£3.50
Lime & Soda / OJ & Lemonade	sm £2.50   lg £3.50
South Downs Water (still/sparkling)	330ml £3   750ml £4.50



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# Wine

## **White.** *glass 125ml / 175ml / 250ml / bottle 75cl*

Sauvignon Blanc, Louis Eschenauer, France £4 / £5.50 / £7 / £19

Chardonnay, Jarrah Wood, Australia £4 / £5.50 / £7 / £19

Pinot Grigio, Altana di Vico, Italy £4.50 / £6 / £7.50 / £21

Sauvignon Blanc, Crossings, New Zealand Marlborough £8 / £10.5 / £14 / £39

## **Rosé.** *glass 125ml / 175ml / 250ml / bottle 75cl*

White Zinfandel, Charlie Zin, USA £4.50 / £6 / £7.50 / £21

Domaine de Pellehaut, Rosé, France £5 / £6.50 / £8.50 / £23

## **Red.** *glass 125ml / 175ml / 250ml / bottle 75cl*

Merlot, Louis Eschenauer, France £4 / £5.50 / £7 / £19

Malbec, Equino, Argentina Mendoza £4.50 / £6 / £7.50 / £21

Rioja, Vina Cerrada, Tempranillo, Spain £5 / £6.50 / £8.50 / £24

Pinot Noir, Waddling Duck, Marlborough, New Zealand £7 / £9 / £12 / £32

## **Sparkling.** *glass 125ml / bottle 75cl*

Prosecco, Casa Vinicola Botter, Italy £8 / £29

Champagne, Charles Vercy, Cuvee De Reserve, France £10 / £45

English Sparkling Rosé, Chapel Down, Brut, England £11 / £55

English Sparkling, Rathfinny, Classic Cuvée, Alfriston, England £11 / £55

For a wider selection of our wines, please ask a member of staff to see the full wine list



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# Cocktails

**Bloody Mary** Smirnoff Vodka, Tomato, Tabasco, Worcestershire, Celery | £9.50

**Espresso Martini** Smirnoff Vodka, Kahlua, Double Espresso | £9.50

**Passionfruit Martini** Absolut Vanilla Vodka, Passoa, Prosecco, Lime | £9.50

**Lemon Martini** Smirnoff Vodka, Limoncello, Triple Sec, Lemon | £9.50

**Dirty Martini** Gordon's Gin, Noilly Prat, Olives | £9.50

**Margarita** Tequila, Triple Sec, Lime, | £9.50

**Mojito** Bacardi, Mint, Lime, Soda | £9.50

**Woo Woo** Smirnoff Vodka, Archers, Cranberry £9.50

**Cosmopolitan** Smirnoff, Triple Sec, Cranberry, Lime | £9.50

**Negroni** Tanqueray Gin, Martini Rosso, Campari | £9.50

**Whisky Sour** Maker's Mark, Lemon, Egg | £9.50

**Old Fashioned** Bulliet Bourbon, Angostura Bitters, Soda | £9.50

**Pimms** | £6 glass | £18 jug

**Aperol Spritz** Aperol, Prosecco, Soda | £9.50

# Mocktails

no alcohol cocktails

**Virgin Mary** Tomato Juice, Tabasco, Worcestershire, Celery | £6.50

**Sussex Sunset** Pineapple, Orange Juice, Grenadine | £6.50

**EspressNO Martini** Seedlip Garden, Coffee syrup, Double Espresso | £7

**Amaretti Sour** Lyres Amaretti, Amaretto Syrup Lemon, Egg | £7

**Mockingbird Margarita** Mockingbird Agave, Lyres Triple Sec, Lime | £7

**PopStar Martini** Seedlip Grove, Clean R, Passionfruit, Lime, White Grape | £7

**NOgroni** Lyres Aperitif Rosso, Aecorn Bitters, Clean G | £7

We do lots of other drinks too. If you can't see anything you fancy, let us know and we will see what we can do for you.



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# Places to Visit

There is plenty to see and do whilst staying at Deans Place.

Below is a list of some of our favourite places to visit.

We recommend you check online for opening times, and prices

★ *We wish to share with you our top picks of the area, so look out for this symbol*

## ★ Alfriston Clergy House

*The Tye, Alfriston, Polegate BN26 5TL*

Medieval thatched Wealden hall-house and picturesque garden. The first National Trust property  
[www.nationaltrust.org.uk/alfriston-clergy-house](http://www.nationaltrust.org.uk/alfriston-clergy-house)

## ★ Charleston

*West Firl, Lewes BN8 6LL*

Art gallery and museum, home to The Bloomsbury Set.  
Open 11am to 5pm. Closed on Mondays and Tuesdays  
[www.charleston.org.uk](http://www.charleston.org.uk)

## ★ Glyndebourne

*New Road, Lewes BN8 5UU*

English country house, home to the world renowned annual Glyndebourne Festival since 1934  
[www.glyndebourne.com](http://www.glyndebourne.com)

## ★ Drusilla's Park

*Alfriston Rd, East Sussex BN26 5QS*

Small zoo, perfect for young families, based in Alfriston and opened in 1922  
Open from 10am to 5pm every day.  
[www.drusillas.co.uk](http://www.drusillas.co.uk)

## Lewes Castle

*Bull House, 92 High St, Lewes BN7 1XH*

Climb to the top of this 1000 year old Norman Castle for stunning panoramic views across Sussex  
Check website for opening times, events  
[www.sussexpast.co.uk/properties-to-discover/lewes-castle](http://www.sussexpast.co.uk/properties-to-discover/lewes-castle)

## Towner Gallery

*Devonshire Park, College Rd, Eastbourne BN21 4JJ*

Award-winning contemporary art gallery and museum for South East England  
Open 10.00am to 5.00pm Tuesday to Sunday & Bank Holiday Mondays | Free Admission  
[www.townereastbourne.org.uk](http://www.townereastbourne.org.uk)

## Middle Farm

*West Firl, Lewes BN8 6LJ*

Middle Farm is a 625 acre working family farm with something for every member of the family to enjoy. Open every day except Christmas Day, Boxing Day and New Year's Day  
[www.middlefarm.com](http://www.middlefarm.com)



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## **Royal Pavillion**

*4/5 Pavilion Buildings, Brighton BN1 1EE*

An exotic palace in the centre of Brighton with a colourful history. Built as a seaside pleasure palace for King George IV, this historic house mixes Regency grandeur with the visual style of India and China.

[www.brightonmuseums.org.uk/royalpavilion/](http://www.brightonmuseums.org.uk/royalpavilion/)

## **Anne of Cleves House**

*52 Southover High St, Lewes BN7 1JA*

A 15th-century timber-framed Wealden hall house

[www.sussexpast.co.uk/properties-to-discover/anne-of-cleves-house](http://www.sussexpast.co.uk/properties-to-discover/anne-of-cleves-house)

## **Michelham Priory**

*Upper Dicker, Hailsham BN27 3QS*

Explore 800 years of Priory history at Michelham: from its foundation by Augustinian canons, through the destruction caused by the dissolution of the monasteries in Tudor times into its later life as a country house. This picturesque island offers a great day out for the family.

[www.sussexpast.co.uk/properties-to-discover/michelham-priory](http://www.sussexpast.co.uk/properties-to-discover/michelham-priory)

## **Eastbourne Miniature Railway**

*Lottbridge Drove, Eastbourne BN23 6QJ*

Family-run adventure park with a miniature railway, wildlife-rich lake area, a playground and cafe

[www.emsr.co.uk](http://www.emsr.co.uk)

## **Bateman's**

*Bateman's Ln, Burwash, Etchingham TN19 7DS*

The 17th century home and 300 acre estate of The Jungle Book author Rudyard Kipling

[www.nationaltrust.org.uk/batemans](http://www.nationaltrust.org.uk/batemans)

## **Monk's House**

*Rodmell, Lewes BN7 3HF*

The 16th Century cottage of Leonard & Virginia Woolf

[www.nationaltrust.org.uk/monks-house](http://www.nationaltrust.org.uk/monks-house)

## **Firle Place**

*Near Lewes BN8 6LP*

Originally Tudor, Firle Place is the home of the Gage family and has been for over 500 years.

[www.firle.com](http://www.firle.com)

## ★ **Buzz Active**

*Seven Sisters County Park, Exceat, Near Seaford, East Sussex, BN25 4AD*

Buzz Cuckmere is one of the best locations in the South East for paddle sports

Opening hours vary according to the season

[www.buzzactive.org.uk/locations/buzz-cuckmere/](http://www.buzzactive.org.uk/locations/buzz-cuckmere/)



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## ★ Redoubt Fortress

*Royal Parade, Eastbourne, East Sussex, BN22 7AQ*

Discover over 200 year of history at this iconic seafront fortress

Telephone | 01323 410300

## The Observatory Science Centre

*Wartling Road, Herstmonceux, Hailsham, East Sussex, BN27 1RN*

Spectacular hands-on science and discovery among the domes and telescopes of a world famous astronomical observatory

Telephone | 01323 832731

## Pevensey Courthouse Museum and Gaol

*High Street, Pevensey, East Sussex, BN24 5LG*

Telephone | 01323 733419

## Eastbourne Sightseeing Open Top Bus

*Starts at Eastbourne Pier Head, Grand Parade, Eastbourne, BN21 3EL*

Every 30 minutes, from April 2022

Telephone | 01273 510181

## Arlington Bluebell Walk

*Tye Hill Road, Arlington, Polegate, East Sussex, BN26 6SH*

Enjoy carpets of white wood anemones and scented English bluebells in this 23-acre ancient oak wood with 7 interesting walks to choose from across 3 working farms.

## ★ Rathfinny Wine Estate

*Rathfinny Wine Estate, Alfriston, East Sussex, BN26 5TU*

A significant family-owned Sussex vineyard & fine wine producer. Beautiful vineyard and a winery with bookable tours & cellar door in historic Alfriston

[www.rathfinnyestate.com](http://www.rathfinnyestate.com)

## The Long Man of Wilmington

*Wilmington, East Sussex, BN26 5SW*

The mysterious guardian of the South Downs has baffled historians and archaeologists for years. It is signposted from the A27, between Eastbourne and Polegate and located south of the village of Wilmington

## ★ Herstmonceux Castle

*Hailsham, East Sussex, BN27 1RN*

Experience the peace and tranquillity of this 15th century moated castle set among carefully maintained Elizabethan gardens and parkland

## ★ Birling Gap & The Seven Sisters

*East Dean, near Eastbourne, East Sussex, BN20 0AB* Walk, go rockpooling or simply relax in the sun with views of the Seven Sisters cliffs

[www.nationaltrust.org.uk/birling-gap-and-the-seven-sisters](http://www.nationaltrust.org.uk/birling-gap-and-the-seven-sisters)



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## **Knockhatch Adventure Park**

*Hailsham Bypass, Hailsham BN27 3GD*

Knockhatch is a fantastic choice for families with a petting farm, owl sanctuary centre, large indoor play centres, several outdoor adventure playgrounds, a boating lake, and lots of picnic areas.  
[www.knockhatch.com](http://www.knockhatch.com)

## **Bodiam Castle**

*Bodiam, Robertsbridge TN32 5UA*

Built in 1385, this moated castle near Robertsbridge was built to defend the area against the French during the Hundred Years War.  
[www.nationaltrust.org.uk/bodiam-castle](http://www.nationaltrust.org.uk/bodiam-castle)

## **St Andrew's Church**

*The Tye, Alfriston, BN26 5TL*

This Grade I listed building was built in the 1370s and is also known as the 'Cathedral of the Downs'. It is only a short walk from the hotel.  
[www.cuckmerechurches.org.uk/st-andrews-alfriston/](http://www.cuckmerechurches.org.uk/st-andrews-alfriston/)

## **Belle Tout Lighthouse**

*Beachy Head Rd, Eastbourne BN20 0AE*

Considered Britain's most famous inhabited lighthouse because of its striking location and use in film and television.  
[www.belletout.co.uk](http://www.belletout.co.uk)

## **Church of the Good Shepherd**

*Wilmington Street, Lullington, East Sussex, BN26 5UP*

This Church, united with Alfriston since 1927 stands on a hill above the Cuckmere Valley, almost hidden in a clump of trees. It has laid claim to being one of the smallest churches in the country.

## **Berwick Church**

*Berwick, Polegate BN26 6SR*

Grade 1 listed church, known for its extensive paintings from The Bloomsbury Set which cover the nave walls, chancel arch, screen and pulpit.  
[www.berwickchurch.org.uk/berwick-church-guide.html](http://www.berwickchurch.org.uk/berwick-church-guide.html)

## **Farley House & Gallery**

*Muddles Green, Chiddingly, Lewes, East Sussex, BN8 6HW*

Home of the Surrealists Lee Miller and Roland Penrose whose friends and guests included Picasso, Miro and Man Ray.  
Open for tours on Sundays April - October.

## ★ **Newhaven Fort**

*Fort Road, Newhaven BN9 9DS*

Venture inside this extraordinary structure to discover its fascinating and surprising past  
[www.newhavenfort.org.uk](http://www.newhavenfort.org.uk)



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## **Sky High**

*Meridian Way, Peacehaven BN10 8JQ*

Indoor trampoline park.

[www.skyhightrampolinepark.co.uk](http://www.skyhightrampolinepark.co.uk)

## **Sea Life Centre**

*Marine Parade, Sussex, Brighton BN2 1TB*

Family-friendly exhibits with a variety of sea creatures

[www.visitsealife.com/brighton/](http://www.visitsealife.com/brighton/)

## ★ **British Airways i360**

*Lower Kings Road, Brighton BN1 2LN*

Opened in 2016, the i360 is a 162-metre observation tower on the seafront of Brighton

[www.britishairwaysi360.com](http://www.britishairwaysi360.com)

# Golf Courses

## ★ **Seaford Head Golf Course**

*Southdown Rd, Seaford BN25 4JS*

A seaside golf course, but not a links course with views of the Seven Sisters and Beachy Head

T: 01323 890139

[www.seafordheadgolfcourse.co.uk](http://www.seafordheadgolfcourse.co.uk)

## ★ **Seaford Golf Club**

*111 Firle Rd, Seaford BN25 2JD*

Long course, with good drainage based in East Blatchington since 1907

T: 01323 894160

[www.seafordgolfclub.co.uk](http://www.seafordgolfclub.co.uk)

## **Willingdon Golf Club**

*Southdown Rd, Eastbourne BN20 9AA*

T: 01323 410981

[www.willingdongolfclub.co.uk](http://www.willingdongolfclub.co.uk)

## **Wellshurst**

*North St, Hailsham BN27 4EE*

T: 01435 813456

[www.wellshurst.com](http://www.wellshurst.com)

## **The Royal Eastbourne Golf Club**

*Paradise Dr, Eastbourne BN20 8BP*

T: 01323 744045

[www.regc.co.uk](http://www.regc.co.uk)



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# Beaches

## ★ Seaford Beach

*Esplanade, Seaford, BN25 1JP*

Distance: 4.2 miles | Parking: Free | Dog Friendly

One of Sussex's best-kept secrets, this quiet, pebble beach has beautiful views of the cliffs.

*Tip: Grab an ice cream from Frankie's Beach Hut or try fishing for mackerel from the beach*

## ★ Cuckmere Haven

*Seaford BN25 4AR*

Distance: 4.9 miles | Parking: Yes £ | Dog Friendly

Walk from Deans Place to the sea along the Cuckmere River and visit the famous coastguard cottages. This beautiful area is a popular film location. The 2007 film Golden Globe Winner "Atonement" starring Keira Knightley and James McAvoy was filmed here.

*Tip: Try your hand at kayaking or paddleboarding with the Buzz Active Cuckmere Team*

## Eastbourne Beach

*Royal Parade, Eastbourne BN22 7LH*

Distance: 10.3 miles | Parking: Yes £ | Dog Friendly with Seasonal Restrictions

Full of Victorian seaside charm, Eastbourne's main resort beach runs from the pier to Wish Tower.

*Tip: Visit the Redoubt Fortress, an iconic seafront fortress with over 200 years of history*

## Brighton Beach

*Kings Road, Brighton BN1 1NB*

Distance: 16.2 miles | Parking: Yes | Dog Friendly with Seasonal Restrictions

Voted one of the top 10 city beach break destinations in the world, visit the home of the infamous Mods & Rockers battle of the 1960s as immortalised in Quadrophenia. Here, traditional daytime seaside fun mixes seamlessly with nighttime funky beachside club culture.

*Tip: Take a trip up the British Airways i360, a 531ft high 360° tower opposite the old West Pier or travel on the Volk's Railway, Britain's oldest electric railway. During the summer, Brighton Beach can get very busy*



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# Markets

Stock up on local Sussex produce from artisan suppliers  
Subject to time of year. Check online before visiting

## **Battle Farmers Market**

*Battle Abbey Green, Battle, East Sussex*

3rd Saturday of each month from 9am to 1pm

## **Bexhill Farmers Market**

*Parkhurst Methodist Hall, Parkhurst Road, Bexhill, East Sussex*

4th Thursday of each month from 9am to 12noon

## **Brede Farmers Market**

*Brede Village Hall, Cackle Street, Brede, East Sussex*

Every Friday from 10am to 12noon

## **Brighton & Hove Farmers Market**

*Ralli Hall, Denmark Villas, next to Hove Station, East Sussex*

1st Sunday of each month from 10am to 2pm

## **Hailsham Farmers Market**

*Hailsham Cattle Market, Market Street, Hailsham, East Sussex*

2nd Saturday of each month from 9am to 12.30pm

## **Hastings Farmers Market**

*Robertson Street, Hastings, East Sussex*

2nd and 4th Thursday of each month from 9am to 2pm

## **Heathfield Farmers Market**

*Co-op Car Park, High Street, Heathfield, East Sussex*

3rd Saturday of each month from 9am to 12.30pm

## **Lewes Farmers Market**

*Cliffe Pedestrian Precinct, Lewes, East Sussex*

1st Saturday of each month from 9am to 1pm

## **Uckfield Farmers Market**

*Luxford Car Park, Library Way, Uckfield, East Sussex*

1st Saturday of each month from 9am to 1pm



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# Cinemas

## ★ The Depot Cinema

*Pinwell Road, Lewes BN7 2JS*  
Telephone | 01273 525354  
[www.lewesdepot.org](http://www.lewesdepot.org)

## Cineworld Cinema Eastbourne

*Beacon Shopping Centre, 37 Terminus Road, Eastbourne*  
Telephone | 0330 333 4444  
[www.cineworld.co.uk](http://www.cineworld.co.uk)

## Picture House Cinema & Restaurant

*184 High Street, Uckfield, TN22 1AS*  
Telephone | 01825 764909  
[www.picturehouseuckfield.com](http://www.picturehouseuckfield.com)

## ODEON Cinema Brighton

*Kingswest, West Street, Brighton BN1 2RE*  
Telephone | 0333 014 4501  
[www.odeon.co.uk](http://www.odeon.co.uk)

## Duke of York's Picturehouse Brighton

*Preston Road, Brighton BN1 4NA*  
Telephone | 0871 902 5747  
[www.cpicturehouses.com](http://www.cpicturehouses.com)



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# Theatres

## **Royal Hippodrome Theatre**

*108-112 Seaside Rd, Eastbourne BN21 3PF*

Telephone | 01323 802020

[www.royalhippodrome.com](http://www.royalhippodrome.com)

## **Seaford Little Theatre**

*4 Steyne Rd, Seaford BN25 1EU*

Telephone | 07984 280067

[www.seafordlittletheatre.co.uk](http://www.seafordlittletheatre.co.uk)

## **Barn Theatre**

*Car Park, 1QL, Saxon Lane, Seaford*

Telephone | 01323 492240

[www.ticketsource.co.uk/thebarntheatre](http://www.ticketsource.co.uk/thebarntheatre)

## **Theatre Royal Brighton**

*New Road, Brighton BN1 1SD*

Telephone | 0844 871 7650

[www.atgtickets.com/venues/theatre-royal-brighton/](http://www.atgtickets.com/venues/theatre-royal-brighton/)

## **Brighton Dome**

*Church Street, Brighton BN1 1UE*

Telephone | 01273 709709

[www.brightondome.org](http://www.brightondome.org)

## **Komedia**

*44-47 Gardner Street, Brighton, BN1 1UN*

Telephone | 01273 647100

[www.komedia.co.uk](http://www.komedia.co.uk)

## **Devonshire Park Theatre**

*8-10 Compton St, Eastbourne BN21 4BW*

Telephone | 01323 412 000

[www.eastbournetheatres.co.uk/venue/devonshire-park-theatre](http://www.eastbournetheatres.co.uk/venue/devonshire-park-theatre)

## **Congress Theatre**

*49 Carlisle Rd, Eastbourne BN21 4JR*

Telephone | 01323 412 000

[www.eastbournetheatres.co.uk/venue/congress-theatre](http://www.eastbournetheatres.co.uk/venue/congress-theatre)



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# Hairdressers

## ★ Reformery

*Cross House, Market Square, Alfriston BN26 5UD*

Traditional gentleman's barbershop.

Telephone | 01323 871493

## The Barbers Chair

*8 Saxon Lane, Seaford BN25 1QL Saxon Lane, Seaford BN25 1QL*

A bespoke service with only the best male grooming services & products within a relaxed environment. Children are welcome.

## FOURTH Hair and Beauty

*48-50 High Street, Seaford, BN25 1PL*

Stylish hair and beauty salon in Seaford.

Telephone | 01323 890356

## Langton's Hair and Beauty

*12 Fisher Street, Lewes BN7 2DG*

Aveda salon offering the very best in hair & beauty treatments in a luxurious, stylish salon in the heart of Lewes.

Telephone | 01273 477678

# Places of Worship

## St Andrew's Church

*The Tye, Alfriston, Polegate BN26 5TL*

[www.cuckmerechurches.org.uk/st-andrews-alfriston/](http://www.cuckmerechurches.org.uk/st-andrews-alfriston/)

## Hebrew Congregation of Eastbourne

*24 Susans Rd, Eastbourne BN21 3TJ*

Services are held every Saturday at 10am and festivals.

Telephone | 01323 484135

[www.jscn.org.uk/small-communities/eastbourne-hebrew-congregation/comment-page-1/](http://www.jscn.org.uk/small-communities/eastbourne-hebrew-congregation/comment-page-1/)

## Eastbourne Mosque

*3, 40 Ashford Square, Eastbourne*

Telephone | 01323 648785

[www.eastbournemosque.com](http://www.eastbournemosque.com)



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# Shopping

## ★ Alfriston Village Stores

*Waterloo Square, Alfriston, BN26 5UE*

A traditional Village Store where service comes first. Bev, Rob and Staff invite you to step inside for a little taste of history.

## ★ Alfriston Newsagents

*8 Waterloo Square, Alfriston, BN26 5UD*

Located in the village, perfect if you require a newspaper or magazine

## ★ Much Ado Books

*8 West St, Alfriston, BN26 5UX*

Offering new, out-of-print and antiquarian books for general readers and specialist collectors.  
[www.muchadobooks.com](http://www.muchadobooks.com)

## ★ Hand Spun Botanics

*Waterloo Square, Alfriston BN26 5UD*

Beautiful plant shop in the village specialising in kokedama.

Telephone | 01273 870589

[www.handspunbotanics.co.uk](http://www.handspunbotanics.co.uk)

## ★ Emmett & White Antiques and Interiors

*Cross House, Waterloo Square, Alfriston, BN26 5UD*

The unusual and the interesting; the eccentric and the eclectic; curious things for curious people  
[www.emmettandwhite.com](http://www.emmettandwhite.com)

## ★ Objet Trouve

*1 Steamer Cottages, High Street, Alfriston, BN26 5TY*

A distinctive arts and curiosities shop/gallery in Alfriston

[www.objettrouve.co.uk](http://www.objettrouve.co.uk)

## ★ Fern

*High Street, Alfriston, Polegate, BN26 5TD*

Carefully sourced, beautiful things: jewellery, scarves and leather goods, organic bath and beauty products, home accessories, stationery, baby presents, children's toys and more.

[www.fern.com](http://www.fern.com)

## ★ Alfriston Arts

*High Street, Alfriston, East Sussex, BN26 5SY*

A retail gallery space for some of the best established and emerging Sussex based painters, potters printmakers, sculptors and jewellers.

[www.alfristonarts.co.uk](http://www.alfristonarts.co.uk)

## ★ Long Man Brewery

*Long Man Brewery, Church Farm, Litlington, East Sussex, BN26 5RA*

Brewery shop and tasting room.

[www.longmanbrewery.com](http://www.longmanbrewery.com)



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