

GRAIG WEN ACCESS STATEMENT

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Sarah and John bought Graig Wen in September 2007 and are making renovations to improve facilities for all our visitors. The details below are subject to change so please contact us and we will be happy to discuss your requirements: 01341 250482 or info@grraigwen.co.uk

Graig Wen House, Mountain View cottage and the caravan/motorhome site are set on a level terrace overlooking the Mawddach Estuary, five miles West of Dolgellau. A steep track drops down approx 600m through woodland and sloping fields to the tent camping area, estuary and Mawddach Trail. The property is set in 45 acres of woodland and pastures.

Graig Wen House and Mountain View Cottage

- Free car parking for guests is available adjacent to the houses. The furthest you will have to walk is 2 metres to the front door. We can allocate you a parking space if you have special access needs.
- The glass entrance doors are wide enough to accommodate wheelchair users. There is a slight step of less than 60mm.
- **Graig Wen B & B** has one ground floor double bedroom with an en suite wet room style shower-room. The doorways are accessible to wheelchair users. The WC has grab rails. There is a colour TV and DVD player in the room. There is one double bed and we regret there is not space to set up an additional bed in this room.
- The ground floor and breakfast/dining room area is level. There is a slight lip over the doorway (max 100mm) onto the outdoor terrace.
- As well as breakfasts we serve pre-booked evening meals on Saturdays and at other times by arrangement. Please let us know if you have special dietary requirements and we will do our best to accommodate you. Menus are available in large print or staff can describe the menu to you.
- To the first floor, there is one flight of eight steps to a small landing followed by five further steps. On the first floor, four of our bedrooms are en suite.
- **Mountain View holiday cottage** ground floor living/kitchen area is level. The shower room and two double/twin bedrooms are on the first floor. There are three stairs to a small landing followed by ten further stairs to the first floor.

Camp Site

- Reception is in Graig Wen House.
- A small washblock with toilets and washbasins is located on the level, hard standing area for touring caravans/motorhomes. There are no steps. Access to the yurt camping area is approx 90 metres up a sloping track. We apologise that we do not currently have disabled toilet or shower facilities and we are working to improve this.

- Showers are approx 90 metres away from the toilet block, adjacent to Graig Wen House and there is a 200 mm step into the showers.
- Assistance with pitching on arrival is offered.

- **Transport**

By bike or foot - direct access from Mawddach Trail over a stile. Steep track 600m up to B & B, holiday cottage and camp site washblock. Special rates for bike/backpackers

By train - Morfa Mawddach station 1 mile away with direct access along Mawddach Trail (see above). We can arrange pick-up (including mountain bikes) or drop off at the station.

By bus – buses run between Aberystwyth/Machynlleth and Dolgellau - ask driver to drop you at Graig Wen.

By car – Turn off A470 Dolgellau bypass, and take A493 signposted Tywyn/Fairbourne. Approx 5 miles from Dolgellau look out for solitary post-box on right hand-side. Graig Wen is approx 200 yards further on brow of slight hill on right hand side.

Ignore Sat Nav if using post code! Sat Nav sometimes takes you to Morfa Mawddach railway station. GPS Ref: SH65500 15750

- **Assistance dogs** are welcome and can be exercised on the top site as well as the lower fields which are accessed down a steep and rough track.
- **Mobile phone reception** on most networks is available on site (except 02) although there are spots in the surrounding area where coverage is patchy.
- While we do not have an **induction loop** at reception, we will do our utmost to assist people who are hard of hearing/deaf and can provide written guidance.
- We can provide information in **large print and alternative formats** by prior arrangement.
- Explore the woodland and pasture and you can listen to birdsong and the rustle of reeds and leaves, smell the sea air and the bluebells in season, feel the dry stone walls and the bark of ancient oaks. We are starting to provide rest points around the site. For those who find the track down to the estuary too steep, the Mawddach Trail can be easily accessed from various car parking places within a couple of miles of Graig Wen. Parts of the Mawddach Trail are also wheelchair accessible (for example from Penmaenpool car park to Morfa Mawddach station).
- Sarah and John live on site and are available to assist whenever possible.