

THE COTTAGE IN THE WOOD

PRIVATELY OWNED AND RUN BY THE PATTIN FAMILY



“The best view in England”

DAILY MAIL

“If there is a heaven on earth, this is it”

MR & MRS SCOFIELD

You'll discover the Cottage in the Wood Hotel perched on the side of the Malvern Hills, above a panoramic view of the Severn Valley, just west of the Cotswolds.

On a clear day you can see, some thirty miles away, the spire of Gloucester cathedral, in whose cloisters Harry Potter was filmed.

While above lie the nine mile long range of bare-backed hills that inspired Edward Elgar when he composed the Dream of Gerontius.

But in your wildest fantasies, you couldn't imagine a more magical setting, or a more comfortable and welcoming small country house hotel.

In this unspoilt and almost forgotten corner of real England, two generations of the Pattin family have owned and run the Cottage for over 20 years.

We've made a few changes in our time.

We have refurbished and redecorated, added a whole new building – the Pinnacles, and our restaurant now has a reputation for its food and wine as lofty as its stunning setting.

But of course, there is one thing we could not, and would not alter.

That magnificent view still takes our breath away every day.





Delicious food

The Outlook restaurant is most aptly named.

It is an elegant room with tall French windows often flung open to the view, and a small terrace ideal for sipping a pre dinner drink on a warm summer evening.

In the capable hands of son Dominic and his kitchen brigade, it serves sumptuous dinners, lighter lunches and quite magnificent breakfasts.

The style is essentially English, with the occasional exotic flourish, many of the ingredients are locally sourced and there is always at least one vegetarian option.

No wonder the critics are mostly fulsome in their praise and we consistently earn accolades from the guides.

Wine is the preserve of father John, and his passion is reflected in a long and eclectic wine list, which has also won its fair share of awards.

Next door is a cosy bar and lounge, with a roaring fire in winter, comfy chairs, and an excellent selection of beers and spirits from around the world.





Beautiful bedrooms

When it is time to turn in for the night, you are spoilt for choice.

The bedrooms upstairs in the original Dower House, though not large, are comfortable and cosy and several have wonderful views across the Severn valley to where the sun rises over Bredon Hill.

A few steps away from the main building is Beech Cottage, with four cottages and homely rooms tucked away behind its own front door.

While a few paces more takes you to the Pinnacles, with nineteen well-appointed rooms, some with their own patios or small balconies, to make the most of the finest views of all. (Every room with a view has a pair of binoculars to help you take it all in.)

All the rooms are en-suite and welcome you with tea, coffee, hot chocolate and home made biscuits and mineral water. (Malvern of course, just like the Queen.)

There's even an emergency pack of those little things that never get packed, like needle and thread, plasters and cotton wool balls.





The great outdoors

You can walk straight from the hotel grounds into the woods and up on to the Malvern Hills. Make it to the top and gaze across Herefordshire all the way to Wales and you'll understand just what inspired Edward Elgar on his musical walks. (Incidentally, well-behaved dogs are welcome in the hotel and will love this bit!)

A short drive away are Great Malvern, the three cathedral cities of Worcester, Hereford and Gloucester, the Cotswolds with its honey-coloured stone villages, and Offas Dyke and the Welsh Marches, all just waiting to be explored.

The Three Counties Showground just beneath the hotel hosts national events from flower shows and craft exhibitions to vintage car rallies, all featured in our copious 'Things To Do' brochure, along with everything from cultural evenings to local pubs.

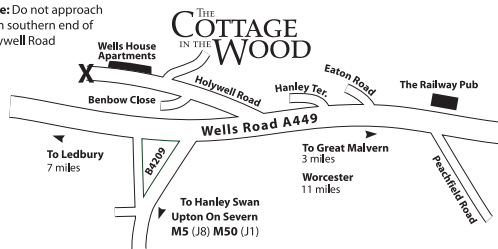
So much to see, so little time, but all the more reason to come and visit soon.



Where to find us



Note: Do not approach from southern end of Holywell Road



Directions from the North: Leave M5 at Junction 7 and follow signs for Malvern via the shared A44 / A4103 / A4440 / A449. Do not go into Worcester but follow A449 through Great Malvern and on to Malvern Wells. Turn third right after the Railway Pub by a small post box, and immediately before the left-hand B4209 Upton upon Severn turning (hotel is signposted from this direction).

Directions from the South: Leave M5 at Junction 8 taking the M50 to Junction 1. Follow A38 signposted Worcester and after three miles turn left on to A4104 Upton upon Severn (B4211 Malvern). Cross the river bridge and immediately turn right on to B4211, then left after one and a half miles on to the B4209 Malvern Wells road. Carry straight on for four miles, here the road is uphill and you reach a T junction (Wells Road A449) turn right and immediately hard left. If travelling from Ledbury, turn first left by small post box shortly after the right-hand B4209 Upton upon Severn turning.



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Recommendations

Privately owned and run by the Pattin family.



AA 3 star, Two AA Restaurant Rosettes again awarded for the quality of our food 2009, AA Courtesy and Care Award, Birmingham Evening Mail Restaurant of the Year, The Good Hotel Guide, Heart of England Tourism 'Small Hotel of the Year' 2004 (runners up), Johansens, 'The Tastes of Worcestershire' Restaurant of the Year, AA Best Wine List Finalist 1998 to 2010 inclusive, Condé Nast Johansens Taittinger Wine List of the Year 2001 and 2006. Condé Nast Johansens Taittinger Half Bottle Wine List of the Year 2009 and 2010 and 'Most Informative' Wine List 2010.