



We are delighted to welcome you to Beech Farm and hope that you have an enjoyable visit to North Yorkshire.

In this folder, you will find various bits of information to help you make the most of your holiday, but if there is anything at all that we can do to help make your stay more pleasurable, please do not hesitate to ask .

Graham and Kirsty

Follow us on social media:



[/beechfarmcottages](#)



[/beechfarmyorkshire](#)

And please tag any of your holiday posts [#beechfarm](#)



Contents

Key Information A-Z.....	3
Animals.....	3
Babies.....	3
Banks.....	3
Barbecues.....	3
Boards/Toys/Children’s Books.....	4
Check-in/Check-out.....	4
Children’s Play Area/Trampoline.....	4
Cycling.....	4
DVDs.....	5
Food on Site.....	5
Handwash.....	5
Honesty Shop.....	5
Laundry.....	5
Medical.....	6
Newspapers.....	6
Office/Reception.....	6
Parking.....	7
Petrol.....	7
Pubs/Restaurants.....	7
Shopping.....	7
Smoking.....	8
Swimming Pool and Sauna.....	8
Takeaways.....	9
Taxis.....	9
Telephone.....	9
Tourist Information.....	9
Towels.....	9
Walking.....	10
Wi-fi.....	10
Attractions.....	11
Pubs, Restaurants and Cafes.....	13
Markets.....	15
Honesty Shop Price List.....	16



Key information A-Z

Animals

We currently have pygmy goats, Valais Blacknose sheep and chickens and at Beech Farm. Animal feeding and egg collecting is at 9am every morning (seven days per week) and we encourage guests, especially children to join us – meet us by the gate at the end of the car park. We also have Guinea pigs which are fed at least three times a week. Please refer to the blackboard outside the office for the specific days. This occurs straight after other animal feeding in the stable.

If you particularly want to join in any other animal care, please let us know and we will see if you are available when we do late afternoon/early evening feed, the roundup of the chickens, or the weekly clean of the hen house/mucking out of the animal shelter (this isn't us trying to get out of our chores, but we do have guests who want to help us with these things!).

Please do not go into the field without us. Similarly, please do not feed them without first checking with us – we need to monitor what they eat – although fruit and vegetables etc are generally fine unless any of them are unwell.

You may also see a cat or two wandering around Beech Farm. They are called Polly and Alfie and are very friendly. However, please do not encourage them into your house.

Finally, don't worry too much if you see a chicken or goat wandering around the car park – they find their way back into the right place eventually.

Banks

There is a branch of Barclays in Pickering on the Market Place and an additional ATM inside both Co-ops in Pickering.

Babies

Prior to your arrival, we will have provided any baby/toddler equipment you may have requested. However, if you still require any additional apparatus (cots, highchairs, stairgates, bed guards, changing mats, baby baths or stepping stools), please do not hesitate to ask.



Barbecues

There is a permanent barbecue in the play area, and three movable barbecues in the walled garden. Please feel free to use the barbecues at your leisure (including moving them to where you would like to cook) but please clean them after use so they are ready for the next guests.

Board Games/Toys/Children's Books

There is a collection of board games, jigsaws and children's toys and books in the laundry room. Once you are finished with them, please return them for other guests to enjoy.

Check-in/Check-out

Check in time is from 3:00pm and check out time is 10:00am. We kindly ask you to respect this so we can ensure the same high standards of cleanliness for the next guests.

Children's play area/Trampoline

The children's play area features a large trampoline, climbing frame, swing, small football goals, mud kitchens ect. It is completely enclosed and exclusively for guests of Beech Farm. Please take shoes off before using the trampoline.

We also have a table tennis table in our walled garden area behind the reception. There should be bats and balls available but if you need any extra equipment please see a member of staff.

For older children, there is a larger playground 100metres up the road towards Cropton.

We also recommend the excellent playground (and Go Ape treetop adventure) at Dalby Forest for children of all ages. Come and see us before you go and we can give you a pass for car parking.

Cycling

Please do not store bikes in the cottages. If you require somewhere to store your bikes during your stay please ask and we will point you in the right direction.

There is excellent (and challenging) road cycling available directly from Wrelton – the Tour de France went past our front door on the way up to Rosedale and the steepest paved road in the country. Please come to speak to us for advice. The mountain biking in Dalby Forest (20 minutes' drive) is also world class. There are relatively sedate trails suitable for all ages and



abilities, as well as some more challenging routes. You can also hire bikes there too. If you're going to Dalby Forest, come and see us and we can give you a pass for parking.

Big Bear Bikes in Pickering (01751 474220) also hire and service bikes.

DVDs

There is a collection of DVDs in the laundry. Please return them when you are finished and if any do not work, please let us know.

Food on Site

In our laundry room (located between Tanglewood and Dove Tree cottages), we hold a stock of ready-to-bake breakfast pastries, ice creams, soft drinks, snacks and some emergency rations. We operate this on an honesty basis so please place payment in the box provided or pay Graham or Kirsty when convenient.

Our local milkman stops by Beech Farm on a Monday, Wednesday, Friday and Saturday, offering milk, orange juice, eggs and yoghurts. If you want anything, fill out an order form found in this folder and drop it in the office. Please put empty milk bottles in the crate outside the office/our laundry room by 4:00pm.

Handwash

The handwash in the cottages is from *ANNWYN Botanicals*. *ANNWYN Botanicals* is a natural botanical skincare range handmade by a lady living in the North York Moors, in a beautiful spot in Farndale. We keep a stock of some of her the rest of her range in the laundry available for purchase. We currently stock hand and body wash (£16), lip balm (£4.75) and Gardener's restorative hand cream (£14) – but we can get extra products on request.

Honesty shop

We have an honesty shop located in the guest laundry room, selling a variety of items (please see page 16 for price list). Please place payment for any items taken in the coin box on the wall. Any profits made from items sold from the honesty shop will be used to support our chosen charity – toilettwinning.org.

We also have paracetamol, Calpol, ibuprofen and Nespresso pods available for purchase from reception.



Laundry

The laundry room is situated between Tanglewood and Dove Tree cottages. All machines are free to use. There is a rotary dryer available if you want to dry anything in the play area.

Medical

Local Doctor: Pickering Medical Practice (01751 471296) is open from 8:00am to 6:00pm Monday to Friday. It is located on the main road into Pickering, on the right between Big Bear Bikes and Lidl.

Pharmacy: Pickering Pharmacy (01751 472550) is open from 8:30am-6:30pm Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday. Open from 8am-8pm Wednesday, 9am-5pm Saturday and 11am-2pm Sunday. It is located halfway up the Market Place in town.

Dentist: Pickering Dental Health (01751 477774) is open from 9:00am to 5:00pm Monday to Friday. It is located on the main road into Pickering on the right not far after Lidl.

Emergencies: Please call 999 for any serious emergency (turn left out of the cottages and walk 20metres for a phone box if required).

Malton District Hospital (01653 693041) is situated 11 miles away. It has a minor injuries unit that is open from 9:00am to 5:00pm Monday to Friday.

Scarborough General Hospital (01723 368111) is 24 miles away and has an Accident & Emergency department.

The York Hospital (01904 631313) is 30 miles from Beech Farm, but is larger, and also has an Accident & Emergency department.

Newspapers

We can arrange for newspapers to be delivered. Please let us know by 4:00pm and they will be delivered to the laundry room at around 8:00am the following morning. You can pay for your papers in the office at any point during your stay.

Office/Reception

We are on site daily however not necessarily all day long. We will be here at 9am every morning and again at late afternoon. If we are on site, you will probably see us walking around, but if not, you can find us either in the office or in our laundry room (next door to Beech Royd cottage, opposite the entrance to Shepherd's Lodge). If you can't find us, or need us urgently, please contact is on one of the following numbers:



- Home: 01751 430522
- Graham: 07850 441986
- Kirsty: 07963 747055

Parking

Except for loading and unloading, we kindly ask you to park your cars at the far end of the courtyard on either side. The Farmhouse has two parking spaces available next to the reception, Fat Hen has a space directly outside it and Dove Tree Cottage has a dedicated parking space next to the recycling bins.

Petrol

The nearest petrol station is two miles away. It is an Esso garage on the righthand side of the A170 on the way to Pickering. If you are travelling west, there is a Jet petrol station, six miles away in Kirkbymoorside.

Pubs/Restaurants

Please refer to the additional information on page 13 for information and our recommendations for local eateries

Shopping

The nearest supermarket is Lidl in Pickering (8:00am-10:00p Monday-Saturday, 10:00am-4:00pm Sunday). There is also a large Co-operative food store (6:00am-10:00pm Monday-Saturday, 11:00am-5:00pm Sunday). There are branches of Asda and Morrisons in Malton. Sainsburys, Tesco and Asda all deliver to Beech Farm. The Spar store at the Esso garage on the way to Pickering is also surprisingly large and stocks most essentials alongside an excellent range of Cook! ready meals.

We buy most of our groceries from butchers and greengrocers in Pickering or Kirkbymoorside. On Wednesday mornings, a van selling fruit and vegetables stops in Wrelton around 10:00am (he beeps his horn to let everyone know he's here). Market days are listed on page 15.

York is the best place within easy reach for serious shopping, both in the old town and the two large out-of-town shopping centres – Monks Cross and Clifton Moor, both of which are signposted from the A64 as you head to York. There is also a McArthur Glen designer outlet signposted where the A64 and the A19 meet. For car parking in York, we recommend using the signposted park and ride facilities which are on the ring road before you get into the city.



Smoking

Smoking is prohibited in all cottages and in the pool building. You are permitted to smoke on the seating outside your cottage but please dispose of your butts safely in the ashtrays provided.

Swimming Pool and Sauna

The pool is available to use any time from 9:00am to 9:00pm. Every cottage has its own key and the entrance door should always be kept locked when the pool is not in use to prevent curious children finding their way in unaccompanied.

The deep end of the pool is two metres deep so please ensure that any children are adequately supervised.

The water flowing into the swimming pool is heated to 31°C meaning the water in the pool is usually around 28°C.

The spa button is located on the wall at the far end of the pool. It is set to run for three minutes per session.

We kindly ask guests to follow some guidelines for using the pool:

- Please leave your shoes by the entrance door.
- Do not use any soap, shampoo, or bath foam in the pool/spa.
- Shower before entering the water.
- Do not bring glass into the pool area.
- If the pool cover is on, please roll it back gently. Do not sit on the pool cover at any time.
- Do not get into the pool unless the pool cover is completely off.
- Please feel free to play with the inflatable toys etc in the pool. We do however ask you to take them out of the water and place them tidily on the side when you have finished.
- Children should not go unattended into the swimming pool.
- When you are finished, please turn off the lights (in the entrance foyer) and lock the door.
- Have fun.

The instructions for the sauna are in the entrance to the swimming pool building. While the heating is a timer, the lights are not – so please turn them off when you are finished.



Takeaways

The best fish and chips in Pickering are a heavily debated topic for locals. We currently go to *Eastgate Fish and Chips*, on the far side of town, but that does not reflect badly on any of the other options. The closest to Beech Farm is *Potter Hill Fish Shop* (look out for the A-board sign on the left on the way to Pickering).

Other takeaway options in Pickering are *Chico's Pizzeria* (01751 476622), *Spice4u* Indian (01751 473334) and two Chinese options; *Fortune Inn* (01751 476116) and *Lee's* (01751 473647).

Taxis

- *Harpers Taxis* (Pickering): 01751 476060
- *Appleby* (Pickering): 01751 474430
- *Station Taxis* (Malton & Pickering): 01751 617181
- *Nigel's Private Hire minibus* (Kirkbymoorside): 01751 432795

Telephone

We recognise that unfortunately mobile phone reception is not great at Beech Farm, however you can normally get coverage outside. If you have important phone calls to make, we are more than happy to make the office phone available to you – just come and ask. There is also an emergency telephone in the swimming pool entrance.

Tourist Information

In the laundry, there is a plethora of information leaflets of all tourist attractions in the area. There is also a large map of the region.

We keep various walking, cycling and guidebooks in the office – please come and have a chat if you want to have a browse or borrow any.

Towels

We currently provide both a bath towel and a hand towel per guest to reduce our impact on the environment. However, we will happily provide more upon request.

You are also welcome to use the towels provided for the pool.



Walking

There are countless options for walking in the near vicinity. We have various books and guides in the office which may be of more interest for more serious ramblers.

Wi-fi

Any network starting with '*Beech Farm*' is available for guest use. The password for all wi-fi is 'beechfarmguest'.



Attractions

Beech Farm is excellently positioned for a wealth of attractions. Here are some of our guests' favourites (and please tell us what you enjoyed so we can keep this up to date for future visitors):

North York Moors National Park

Over 500 square miles of stunning National Park scenery starts just three miles north of Beech Farm. Great cycling and walking, picturesque villages and wonderful views.

The North York moors steam railway is on most guests' to-do list and runs from Pickering all the way to Whitby. Please note that the whole journey takes close to two hours so get prepared (and it is possible to only do part of the journey if you'd prefer).

Dalby Forest

8,00 Acres of woodland starts six miles away, just north of Thornton-le-Dale. Home to numerous bike and walking paths, a visitor centre with café, excellent playground and bike hire facilities, Go Ape treetop adventure trails. Car parking costs £9 (£4 in low season), but we have passes available for guests on a first-come, first-serve basis.

Seaside

The coast is 35 minutes away and stretches from beautiful Staithes in the north through Runswick Bay, legendary Whitby, Robin Hood's Bay, Scarborough, Filey and the clifftops around Flamborough as you go south. The coastline varies greatly and there is something for everyone. Filey is our favourite, and was awarded the UK's Best Beach by The Sunday Times in 2018.

Heritage & Culture

Yorkshire is abundantly rich when it comes to heritage and culture with a staggering 16 National Trust and 32 English Heritage sites. Country houses, stately homes, beautiful gardens, historic towns and museums covering everything from Vikings to World War II are all within easy reach. Castle Howard is perhaps the most famous country house, but other similar attractions nearby include: Fountains Abbey, Nunnington Hall, Rievaulx Abbey and Newby Hall. Museum-wise, there's Ryedale Folk Museum in Hutton-Le-Hole (rural life from the Iron Age to 1950s), Eden Camp war museum on the way to Malton, and the Beck Isle museum in Pickering (local social history museum).



Towns & Villages

Towns: Historic York, fashionable Harrogate, foodie Malton, and popular tourist market towns like Helmsley and Pickering are all close to Beech Farm. What sets these all apart from many of the country's cities is how they maintain a personal and independent touch – they are not dominated by lines of the ubiquitous national chains. Coupled with the character of the historic architecture, they offer much more than just amenities. Market days are separate in this folder on page 15.

Villages: You can easily lose a day in some of the area's most beautiful villages too. You can enjoy traditional Yorkshire hospitality in local pubs serving homemade cuisine and many of these have independent stores to browse. Hutton-le-Hole, Thornton-le-Dale, Hovingham, Staithes, Goathland, Osmotherley, Sandsend, Terrington, Robin Hood's Bay, and Rosedale Abbey are amongst our favourites, but we encourage guests to explore for themselves and feedback what they enjoyed.

For Children

In addition to the above, there are other attractions more targeted at younger guests:

- Flamingo Land: theme park and zoo on the way to Malton.
- Alpacare: huge waterpark in Scarborough with numerous slides, pools and a spa (more suitable for older children due to height restrictions on rides).
- Sinnington Strawberry Fields: open in summer with a wide selection of fruit available to be picked. Also has tea shop selling scones and ice cream.
- Go Ape: treetop adventures and huge ziplines in Dalby Forest.
- Peagreen Pottery: Paint-your-own pottery in a bright workshop in the marketplace in Malton.
- Unlocky Escape Room: Ryedale's first escape room, perfect for older children on a rainy day. World War II themed.
- Newby Hall: fantastic adventure playground and miniature railway at this stately home.
- National Centre for Birds of Prey: highly regarded birds of prey exhibitions and zoo near Helmsley.



Pubs, Restaurants and Cafes

Based on where we go and what our guests say, we try to keep the below list as up to date as possible. However, landlords, restaurateurs and chefs move on so please let us know your opinions and we will keep this as updated as much as possible. Please note that it is our recommendation to book ahead for at anything but the quietest time to avoid disappointment.

Pubs

- *The Buck Inn, Wrelton, 100metres (01751 477144)*: Our 'local' is situated just around the corner. It's open from 5pm and serves a classic pub menu until around 9pm. Please note it does not open on Monday out of peak season.
- *Fox & Hounds, Sinnington, 2 miles (01751 431577)*: More of a gastropub with excellent food but with a higher than average price tags (which are well justified in our opinion).
- *The New Inn, Cropton, 2 miles (01751 417330)*: Decent pub grub with excellent beer from an on-site brewery (tours available).
- *The White Swan, Pickering, 2.5 miles (01751 472288)*: Award-winning hotel, restaurant and bar in the centre of town. Excellent food in a pleasant atmosphere.
- *The Blacksmith Arms, Lastingham, 4.5 miles (01751 417247)*: Great reputation for its homemade fare and real ales.
- *The New Inn, Thornton-le-Dale, 5 miles (01751 474226)*: Georgian coaching inn serving traditional pub food.
- *The Moors Inn, Appleton-le-Moors, 5 miles (01751 476300)*: Popular with walkers situated in picturesque village.
- *The Crown, Hutton-le-Hole, 6.5 miles (01751 417343)*: Family-friendly pub overlooking the village green where children can play in the stream during summer.

Restaurants

- *Willowgate Bistro, Pickering, 2.5 miles (01751 476300)*: Town centre modern-English bistro.
- *Spice4U, Pickering, 2.5 miles (01751 473334)*: Decent Indian Takeaway and restaurant on the A170 just after the traffic lights
- *Gepetto's Restaurant, Helmsley, 10 miles (01439 770479)*: Cosy and rustic Italian in a beautiful market town, located one-minute walk from market square.
- *The Queen's Head, Amotherby, 9 miles (01653 693630)*: Cantonese restaurant that can cater for large groups. Also offers takeaway.
- *The Star Inn, Harome, 10 miles (01439 770397)*: Stunning Michelin-starred gastropub just outside Helmsley.



Cafes

- *Botham's of Whitby*, Pickering, 2.5 miles (01947 602823): Old-timey tearoom and deli with a vast selection of both sweet and savoury goods.
- *Feast*, Pickering, 2.5 miles (01751 470121): Vibrant modern café with both breakfast and lunch menus available and options for take-out.
- *Lazy Sundae*, Pickering, 2.5 miles (01751 474166): Quaint coffee shop with a more avant-garde menu, serving pancakes and crumpet stacks.
- *Cedarbarn Farm Shop*, Pickering road, 4 miles (01751 475614): Family-friendly café great for brunch. Shop also offers delicious homemade ready meals. Miniature railway runs May – September.
- *Graze on The Green*, Rosedale, 7 miles (01751 417468): Perfect for mid-walk lunch in the heart of The Moors.
- *Mannion & Co*, Helmsley, 10miles (01439 77004): Upmarket and charming eatery with modern menu. Boasts great views of the historical village.

Afternoon tea

- *The Middleton Tea Parlour*, Middleton, 1 mile (01751 475932): Inside a post office, quirky tea shop with fantastic scones and sweets.
- *Lastingham Grange*, Lastingham, 4.5 miles (01751 417345): Quirky traditional country inn with similar themed afternoon tea.
- *Beadlam Grange*, Beadlam, 9 miles (01439 770303): Farm shop and tearoom, offers both savoury and sweet afternoon tea.
- *Yo Bakehouse*, Malton, 11 miles (01653 692555): Cosy café and bakery. Afternoon tea includes many house specials including seasonally varying brownie flavours.
- *The Patisserie*, Malton, 11 miles (01653 695392): Family run eatery with fresh, homemade menu.



Market days

Many of our local towns hold regular markets. Listed below are the days each place holds their market, where a vast variety of goods are sold. These markets are perfect for an afternoon wander.

- *Pickering* – Monday, held in the Market Place. Short-stay parking is available in The Ropery car park, long-stay is available in Eastgate car park.
- *Kirkbymoorside* - Wednesday on the cobbles of the main street. Free short-stay street parking is available, Tinley Garth car park offers extended parking
- *Helmsley* – Friday in the central, ancient Market Square. A craft fair is held most Fridays above the Old Town Hall. Parking is available at Cleveland Way car park.
- *Malton* – Saturday, in the Market Place. Free parking is available in the market square.



Honesty Shop Price List

The Honesty Shop can be found in the laundry room. As stated earlier, all profits made will be donated to toilettwinning.org

Product	Price
Yorkshire Tea (40 bags)	£1.59
Cawston Apple	£1.00
Cawston Rhubarb	£1.00
Cawston Elderflower	£1.00
Fentimans Lemonade	£1.50
Fentimans Mandarin	£1.50
Fentimans Cola	£1.50
Fevertree Tonic	£1.00
Kettle Chips	£1.00
Johnsons Baby Shampoo	£2.00
Throat Sweets	£1.00
Colgate Toothpaste	£1.00
Colgate Toothbrush	£1.00
Tampax Regular	£2.50
Tampax Super	£2.50
Always Ultra Norm	£2.50
Always Ultra Long	£2.50
Kelloggs Cereals	£0.50
Alpen Cereal	£0.50
Heinz Ketchup	£2.50
Kinder Surprise	£1.00
Cadburys Giant Buttons	£1.00
Terrys Choc Orange	£1.00
Fruitella Chews	£1.00
Maynards Sports Mix	£1.00
Calippo	£1.00
Fruit Pastille Lolly	£1.00
Ready-to-bake pastries	£1.00
Available from the office	
Ibuprofen	£1.50
Paracetamol	£1.00
Calpol	£4.00
Nespresso pods	£0.40