

# HIKES & BIKES

**Ref: White – Cotswold Way**

**Arrival: 12<sup>th</sup> May, 2017 – Bantam Tearooms, Chipping Campden.**

25<sup>th</sup> October, 2016.

Dear Angela, Mary & Frederick, Jayne, Janis and Donna,

Welcome to Chipping Campden and the Cotswolds.

Please find enclosed your guide books, Harvey map and accommodation list, including village maps to help you locate your accommodation. Where maps are not provided then the accommodation is listed in the guidebook. Please let me know when this package arrives.

Your luggage will be picked up each morning from 09.30. Please bring your luggage to the reception area by that time, ensuring that all pieces are clearly marked with the name **White** – as per luggage labels enclosed. **One bag only will be transferred per person, weighing no more than 25kg please. We need to be notified in advance about additional bags and there will be an additional fee.**

**Day 1 Friday 12<sup>th</sup> May** Transfer to Chipping Campden and **overnight at the Bantam Tearooms**. If you need a taxi transfer from Moreton station, please call Paul Griffiths in advance (cell: 07813 133847) or [paul.cctravel@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:paul.cctravel@hotmail.co.uk) Taxis are normally waiting, but not always. There is also a bus service available #1 or #2; [http://www.johnsoncoaches.co.uk/contentfiles/files/1%20%26%20%20Timetables%20from%20October%202016\(4\).pdf](http://www.johnsoncoaches.co.uk/contentfiles/files/1%20%26%20%20Timetables%20from%20October%202016(4).pdf)

**Day 2 Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> May** - Walk to Stanton, 10 miles and **overnight at The Old Post House B&B**, where your host is Jo. I have made dinner reservations for you at The Mount Inn in the village for 7:00pm

**Day 3 Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> May** - Walk to Winchcombe, 8 miles and **overnight at The White Hart Inn**.

**Day 4 Monday 15<sup>th</sup> May** - Walk to Dowdeswell, 11 miles and **overnight at Detmore House**, where your host is Gill. To reach Detmore House, you turn right when you reach the road at Dowdeswell Reservoir and walk past the Koloshi Indian restaurant. Please continue on for approx. 3/4 of a mile and look out for their name board on the right just before the BP garage. The best pub in the area is The Royal and I would advise booking ahead; <http://royalpub.co.uk/>

**Day 5 Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> May** - Walk to Birdlip, 10 miles and **overnight at the Royal George Hotel**.

**Day 6 Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> May** - Walk to Painswick, 7 miles and **overnight at The Falcon Inn for 2 nights**.

**Day 7 Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> May** - Walk to King Stanley, 9 miles, and **call Colin Groves Taxis (cell:07968 247891)** who will transfer you back to Painswick. Please try and give them as much notice as possible as they may be busy during school runs.

**Day 8 Friday 19<sup>th</sup> May** – 9.30am Transfer back with Colin Grove Taxis to King Stanley and walk to Dursley, 8 miles, **and overnight at Underhill House B&B**, where your host is Gill.

**Day 9 Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> May** - Walk to Wotton-under-Edge, 7 miles, **and overnight at The**

**Day 9 Saturday 20 May** - walk to Wotton-under-Edge, 7 miles, and **overnight at the Swan Hotel.**

**Day 10 Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> May** - Walk to Little Sodbury, 11 miles. When you reach Little Sodbury, a taxi will meet you at the church and transfer you to Old Sodbury and back again the next morning. Please try and call Doug at Beaufort Taxis at least an hour before you need collecting if possible, or set a time the night before to avoid you having to wait around. His mobile number is 07703 703475 or the office landline 01454 313721. The cost of these transfers is included in the cost of the tour, so please let Doug know if you do not need this transfer as he will be waiting for your call. **Overnight at Rock Cottage B&B** in Old Sodbury and your host is Joan.

**Day 11 Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> May 09:30** - Transfer back to Little Sodbury with Doug and walk to Cold Ashton, 10.5 miles and **overnight at Swan Cottage B&B**, where your hosts are Jo and Paul. For your evening meal I would suggest booking with Jo in advance as places are limited to 6 people and full details can be found on their website; [www.swancottagebandb.co.uk](http://www.swancottagebandb.co.uk) It would be a good idea to order a packed lunch at the same time as there are no lunch options during tomorrow's walk. Sandwiches are available from the petrol station.

**Day 12 Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> May** - Walk to Bath, 10 miles and **overnight at The Kennard.**

**Day 13 Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> May** – Depart after breakfast. Free guided walks are offered each day by; <http://www.bathguides.org.uk/>

**Please also note that if you decide not to walk on any given day (because of poor weather etc.), you should enquire locally about public transport, or about organising taxi transportation.**

**The following taxi numbers are recommended:**

Chipping Campden to Winchcombe - Paul Griffiths - 07813 133847  
Winchcombe to Cheltenham – Rob Jordan – 07546 989643  
Birdlip to Uley – Goddard's taxis - 01452 812240  
Anywhere further south - Beaufort Taxis on 01454 313721

**PLEASE CALL YOUR ACCOMMODATION TO LET THEM KNOW if on any day you are likely to arrive after 6pm. This is important for family run establishments, which do not employ evening staff. Similarly, if you intend to arrive before 4pm, please call the night before as your room may not be ready and the owners may be out (gone shopping, etc.)**

I hope you have a wonderful holiday, and please call me with any questions. We look forward to your feedback and any photos you wish to share at the end of the tour. If you wish to keep up to date with news about the Cotswolds in general, please visit our Facebook page.

Yours sincerely,

Elizabeth Cowell

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