



The Manor Cotswolds, England



What we love...

We love the beautiful gardens designed by Jinny Blom of the Chelsea Flower Show, which are an idyllic spot for a traditional afternoon tea.

As decadent as the name suggests, The Manor was once described as 'one of the finest, if not the very best of the small Cotswold Tudor Houses' by acclaimed historian Pevsner, and still to this day this luxury villa in the Cotswolds lives up to the accolade. Steeped in history dating back to the 15th century, yet with all the contemporary creature comforts to make for an exceptional stay, The Manor is the ultimate Cotswolds retreat.

Pulling up on the pebbles of a grand driveway, the sand-coloured stone with creeping vines, flora and apple trees clinging to the façade is a sight to behold. The grandeur continues throughout the grounds, as one would expect from gardens created by silver medal winner Jinny Blom of the Chelsea Flower Show. Soothing sounds emanate from the lily-pad lined water feature. Sun loungers dot the water's edge, so you can spend a tranquil morning listening to the tinkle of the fountain before an outdoor lunch at the al fresco dining table. Two original dovecots have found new life at The Manor: behind a secret-garden-esque door within one you will find a cosy cinema room to watch a classic movie and within another a hidden hot tub. Within the wider 14.5-acre

Temple Guiting Estate, you will find a myriad of majestic gardens to wander and a shared tennis court.

Cast your gaze across the interiors of The Manor and you'll rarely rest your eyes without finding an original feature. The well-worn stone of the staircase, the homey wooden beams and the authentic flagstones which line the dining room are true traces of history. There's a cosy corner for everyone to claim in The Manor, from the squishy armchairs of the cottage-style sitting room with log burner to the formal lounge with open fire feature. The snug is ideal for kids who want a little nook filled with board games and an enviable movie collection. If the 12-seater dining room wasn't enough, when not playing host to a game of snooker the billiard table transforms into a resplendent 34-seater dining table. Adorned with flags and a magnificent chandelier, the grand room is paragon of splendour fit for any special occasion.

This luxury Cotswolds villa with six bedrooms is perfect for families or groups of friends alike. Lovers of luxury will be satisfied by the grand master bedrooms with deluxe baths, whilst kids will love the snug twin rooms in the eaves of the attic.



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Rooms

The Manor sleeps up to 12 people in 6 bedrooms.

Master Bedroom
Super-king bed with en-suite with bath. Configurable as a twin.

The Bentley Bedroom
Four poster bed with Bentley-inspired en-suite with a bath and walk-in shower.

The Lady in Blue Bedroom
Super-king bed with en-suite with bath and walk-in shower. Configurable as a twin.

Labrador Bedroom
Attic bedroom with super-king size bed with shared bathroom with roll-top bath and walk-in shower (shared with two snug bedrooms). Configurable as a twin.

Snug Bedroom
Attic bedroom with super-king size bed with shared bathroom with roll-top bath and walk-in shower (shared with Labrador and second snug bedroom). Configurable as a twin. Height restrictions due to beams.

Second Snug Bedroom
Two built-in single beds perfect for children adjoined to the main bedroom with shared bathroom with roll-top bath and walk-in shower (shared with Labrador and first snug bedroom).

Eating

Dining at The Manor can be as lavish or as laid-back as you wish. A Weber BBQ in the garden calls for sunny picnics on the grass or in the shade of the al fresco dining table. Indoors, the kitchen is kitted out with Miele appliances, meaning a menu of your own making is a pleasure to create. Should you desire a fine dining affair, the billiard room can play host to 34 friends and family members, and an expert chef can be hired to create culinary delights for all.

For a morning coffee fix or tasty treat, the estate's own Temple Guilting Pantry is in the village a short five-minute walk away. Brimming with character, this once post office turned two storey restaurant with a quaint garden will tempt your tastebuds with breakfast, lunch, coffee and cakes. A takeaway menu is ideal if you want to pick up a bite to eat for back at The Manor. The adjoining lifestyle shop has a tempting selection of wines to choose from too: the perfect accompaniment for a night by the fire.

For a hearty British pub lunch, the Hallow Bottom is a pleasant one hour walk away, and you can reward yourself for your efforts with gastro delights including Cornish whole lemon sole, duck egg rarebit, and of course, a classic fish and chips.





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Kids

It's less a question of what can kids do during a stay at The Manor and more along the lines of what will they pick to do first? Children of all ages love hiding out in the secret cinema room, complete with Xbox, or the snug with board games. Table tennis in the garden followed by a larger scale game on the shared tennis court is classed as a day well spent in the eyes of competitive kids. Classic English garden games are also on offer for hours of fun in your private garden.

For a fun day out with little animal lovers, the Cotswold Farm Park is only a 5-minute drive away and is home to lots of cuddly creatures from rabbits to guinea pigs, and farm animals from piglets to donkeys. In autumn, the pumpkin patch is a riot of colour from where you can pick your Halloween staple.

Location

The Manor is part of the Temple Guiting estate, in a traditional Cotswolds village of the same name. We strongly recommend driving if you wish to explore the countryside with ease, such as Stow-on-the-Wold and Moreton-in-Marsh which are only a 20-minute drive away. The storybook houses of Bibury are only a 30-minute drive away and

worth a visit.

If you are coming by train, Moreton-on-the-Marsh has a small station which can be reached in less than 2 hours from London Paddington, (booking a taxi in advance from the station is essential). Cheltenham Spa station is well-serviced option, only 30 minutes from The Barn and with plenty of taxis available.

Staff

An estate manager is on hand throughout the day should you need any assistance. Additional staff such as a private chef, housekeeper and sport coaches can be arranged at an additional cost upon request.

Facilities

- Billiard table
- Hot tub
- Secret cinema room
- Weber BBQ
- Table tennis
- Shared tennis court (or private if taking the estate exclusively)
- Garden tables
- Garden games
- Water feature garden with lawn
- Log burning fire
- Xbox
- Sky TV & movie library
- Board games
- Miele kitchen appliances with dishwasher
- Washing machine and tumble dryer in separate laundry room

