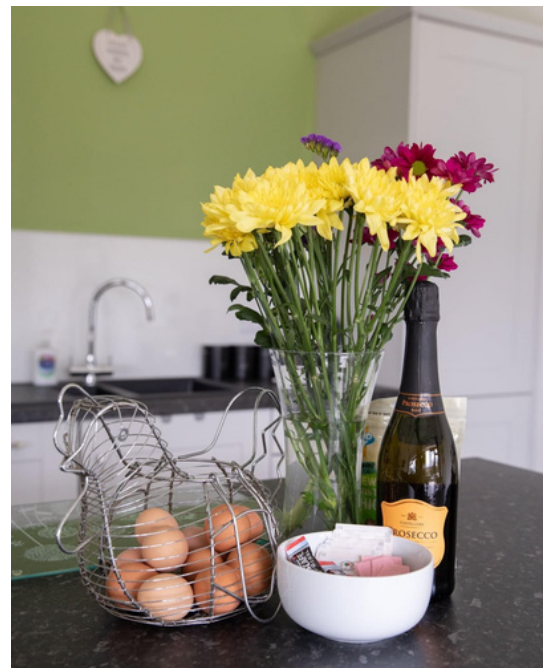




WELCOME TO MAESGWYN HOLIDAY LET'S

YOUR GUIDE TO HAVING
A GREAT STAY



ABOUT US

Hello

We would just like to introduce ourselves. We are James and Lin Jones and we live just down the road from the properties with our three children. Ceri, Rhys and Sian. The farmhouse was a family home for Llewelyn (James's dad.) Llew is still an active member of the farming team and helps out with the gardening at the properties and is probably fitter than us all. We started doing holiday lets in the farmhouse in 2014. At the end of 2017 we converted the barns and the glamping pods arrived in 2021 as people seemed to enjoy visiting this part of the world.



Our 400 + acre farm is mainly beef and sheep. We have about 1200 ewes and 70 cows. Our mark is the green on the side of the sheep. Lambing is our busiest time and we lamb outdoors so you may well see some lambs being born if you are lucky enough during March and April. During the summer months, the tractors take on most of the work harvesting the fields bringing in the crops for the winter. Winter can be the most challenging time dependant on the weather as the stock need attending to whatever the weather, even Christmas day.

We hope you enjoy exploring the farm but please be mindful of the livestock and machinery.

Lin and James

WHAT YOU DON'T NEED TO PACK

STARTER PACK OF ESSENTIALS



Toilet roll, washing up liquid, hand wash, bin bags, salt, pepper, cooking oil, tea, coffee and semi-skimmed milk are all provided. You may need to bring more for longer stays .



BOTTLED WATER

We are lucky enough to have a natural source of water so you don't need to pack big bulky bottles of water.



FOOD

All major supermarkets deliver to the accommodation so if you want to save space and hassle, get a delivery. Just remember to change the address from your home.



LINEN AND TOWELS

All linen is washed at 60 degrees, tumble dried and ironed in house. 1 bath sheet and hand towel per guest. Robes are supplied in the pods.

WHAT YOU DO NEED TO PACK



STURDY WATERPROOF FOOTWEAR

To take advantage of the walks and surrounding attractions, good footwear will ensure your not coming home with wet soggy feet.



SWIM STUFF

Remember all properties have a hot tub so don't forget your swimwear and a separate hot tub towel would be useful.



TOOTHBRUSH

Don't panic if you do forget, we do have an honesty shop in the farmhouse and barns with essentials you may have forgotten to bring.



FOOD

If you don't want a delivery, we are 20-30 minutes from a supermarket so I advise bringing your food from home or stop on the way to save having to go back out again as soon as you arrive.



CLOTHES

This is one thing we can't really help with but be prepared for all weathers- we can have sunshine, rain and even snow in a day during the colder months!

WALKS FROM THE DOORSTEP

CIRCULAR WALK-45 MINUTE WALK

- 1** This 45 minute walk is our most popular with guests. A gentle climb up along the track that leads to the top of the hill where breathtaking views await you. Manageable in trainers in dry seasons but sturdy footwear is recommended as it is a bit uneven.

SOLDIERS TUMP-2 HOUR WALK

- 2** This walk takes you to the trig point which is just under 1800 ft above sea level and is a bit more challenging however our children have done this walk many times. The 360 degree views from the top on a clear day are unrivaled.

BEGUILDY VILLAGE- 1 ½ HOUR WALK

- 3** This walk takes you over fields, onto the beacon and along a tarmac road to the local village where you will find the local post office and shop and pub. A nice downhill stretch to the village but after a meal and a pint maybe more challenging coming home. If you want to walk for a meal and get a lift home, we will help out if we can - just get in touch.

**LAMINATED COPIES OF THESE WALKS CAN BE FOUND
IN THE PROPERTIES TO HELP GUIDE YOU**



Visitor Attractions for families



Cantref farm

Upper Cantref farm, Cantref, Bracon LD3 8LR

Exciting adventure parks with interactive animal encounters. Indoor and thrilling Outdoor play, horseback rides. A full day of fun to be had. We've spent many days here.



Quackers soft play

New Mead, Newbridge on Wye, Llandrindod Wells LD1 6HR

Indoor soft play, cowshed cafe and outdoor pedal karts and sand pit area. Toddler area and great for bigger kids to.



Llandrindod Wells Lake

Llandrindod Wells LD1 5NU

A real local favourite spot. Take a gentle stroll around the lake or jump in a dragon boat- a hit with the kids. The park is nearby and is a great spot for an ice cream for you and your dog from the shop or enjoy the popular cafe upstairs.



Kington Small breeds and Owl Centre

Kingswood rd, Kington HR5 3HF

Pygmy goats, miniture horses and donkeys, Alpacas, Guinea pigs, rabbits and over 30 breeds of owls from all over the World. Tearoom. Accessible and open to all.



Grove bowl and golf

Kington HR5 3RF

A great wet weather option. Bowling, Driving range. Crazy golf and real golf. There's a restaurant for food. Great for older children to enjoy.

LOCAL Visitor Attractions for Walkers



The Elan Valley

Rhayader LD65HP

This is my top tip for a day out. The man made dams especially in the winter when they're overflowing are a true sight. With 7 dams to explore - Claerwen is my favourite as you can get so close. The visitor centre is also full of info about walks and bike trails to explore. The cafe serves an amazing hot chocolate after all that exploring.



Llandrindod Wells Lake

Llandrindod Wells LD1 5NU

Electric bike hire, paddle board hire or take a gentle walk around the lake or into town. Lakeside cafe is a top spot for an ice cream and gift shop is full of souvenirs for your trip



Powys Castle- National Trust

Welshpool SY21 8RF

The castle boasts immaculate gardens and a castle tour. spot the resident peacock and enjoy tea and a cake in the cafe



Red kite feeding centre

South St, Rhayader LD6 5BL

Hundreds of wild Red Kites are fed at Gigrin Farm everyday of the year at 2pm/ 3pm depending on the time of year. There are 5 disabled access hides metres from where they swoop down. It's quite a sight.



Devils bridge falls

Devil's bridge, Pontarfynach, SY23 3JW

Nature trail, Waterfalls and 3 bridges long walk or take the punchbowl and 3 bridges walk, a shorter walk with 220 slate steps. You can then continue by steam train to Aberystwyth seaside town (seperate attraction)

SUPERMARKETS AND ELECTRIC CHARGING

The Waitrose logo is displayed in green, stylized lettering against a background of a brick wall.The Tesco logo is shown in red and blue, featuring the word 'TESCO' above a series of blue diagonal lines.The Aldi logo is presented in blue and white, with the word 'ALDI' in white capital letters on a blue background, framed by a yellow border.The Morrisons logo consists of a large yellow circle with a white 'M' inside, followed by the word 'MORRISONS' in a bold, dark green, sans-serif font.

ELECTRIC CHARGING POINTS

Charging points can
be found in
Newtown,
Llandrindod Wells
and Knighton in the
main car parks.

Mcdonalds in
Newtown.

TESCO

Newtown - 30 minutes
Llandrindod Wells - 30 minuyes

MORRSIONS

Newtown -30 minutes

ALDI

Newtown - 30 minutes
Llandrindod Wells - 30 minuyes

LIDL

Newtown -30 minutes

CO-OP

Knighton- 20 minutes

LOCAL

Towns to Visit



KNIGHTON

Our closest town, 13 miles from Maesgwyn Holiday Lets. Here you'll find our favourite Chinese and Indian takeaway. The fish and chip shop and kebab shop are also popular. 'Tuffins' the local supermarket is like an aladdin's cave selling everything I think you could possibly need. Part of Glyndwr's Way starts here and you can follow the trail back to the doorstep taking in beautiful scenery. Also has pubs and cafes to enjoy.



NEWTOWN

Newtown, the largest town in Powys lies on the river Severn and has your better known supermarkets and is a 30 minute drive. It also has independant cafe's, pubs,shops and restaurants., not forgetting the cinema, a small bowling alley, ideal if you don't want to pay the prices of the larger bowling places and a theatre. Great place to take dogs for walk is to Dolerw Park and walk along the river and then enjoy a cuppa in the town.



**LLANDRINDOD
WELLS**

Llandrindod Wells is a victorian spa town, again a 30 minute drive and has your well known supermarkets. The highlight is the lake which has been transformed in recent years and now has lake activities for adults and children as well as great ice cream from the gift shop and the cafe upstairs does the best paninis. The park nearby is a hit with kids or gently stroll around the lake taking it all in from every angle.

More information on these towns can be found on our website
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Towns to Visit a little further afield



LUDLOW
29 miles
55 minutes



LEOMINSTER
24 miles
55 minutes



WELSHPOOL
18 miles
45 minutes



RHAYADER
13 miles
40 minutes



HAY-ON-WYE
23 miles
60 minutes

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Places to Eat

The Radnorshire Arms- our local

Beguildy, Knighton, Powys. LD7 1YE

We are very lucky our local pub serves great quality pub food cooked by Martyn and is often highly recommended by guests.

*Call: 01547 510634
Booking essential
Dogs in beer garden only*



The Dolfor Inn

Dolfor Rd, Newtown SY16 4AA

A traditional local pub offering great food and a warm welcome. No Sunday lunch but serve evening meals.

*Call: 01686 6265314
Booking essential
Dogs in bar only*



The Castle Inn- Knucklas

12-13 Broad street, Newtown, Powys SY16 2NA

Licensed restaurant only open Friday and Saturday evenings 6-8pm. Enjoy home cooked award winning pies or try the Thai cuisine cooked by Ying herself.

*Call: 01547 528150
Booking essential
Dogs welcome in bar*



The Horse and Jockey

Wylcwm place, Knighton, Powys LD7 1AE

A traditional 14th Century coaching Inn, lots of character, original beams, and open fire. Enjoy dining in the restaurant before retiring to the cosy snug bar.

*Call: 01547 5200621
Dogs in bar only*



The Banc

West St, Knighton

A modern bar and restaurant housed in a historic 1890's bank and vault. Serve a range of cask ales, lagers, gins, wines and coffees to compliment the mouth watering food.

*Call: 01547 520009
Dogs welcome*



Our local pubs

The Wharf Inn -Felindre

Felindre, Knighton, Powys LD7 1YW 2.5 Miles

A drinking pub only, popular with young locals and families due to the secure children's play area out the back. Often has big sporting matches on the TV. CASH ONLY. Mandy and Wayne will provide a warm welcome

*Call:01547 510
Dogs iwelcome*



The Radnorshire Arms- our local

Beguildy, Knighton, Powys. LD7 1YE 5 miles

Another great local pub which serves food and is a more traditional pub. Sue and Martyn offer a warm welcome and this is who James plays darts for during the winter months.

*Call:01547 510634
Dogs in beer garden only*



The Lion- LLanbister

Llanbister LD1 6TN 5 Miles

15 minute drive away, the Lion hotel is a friendly village pub full of local characters. Known for its steak and curry nights. (Meals served Wednesday-Saturday)

*Call:01597 840244
Dogs welcome*



The Dolfor Inn

Dolfor Rd, Newtown SY16 4AA 10 Miles

A classic Welsh Inn offering great food and a warm welcome a 20 minute drive.

*Call:01686 626531
Booking essential
Dogs in bar only*



Takeaways

(DO NOT DELIVER)



CHINESE

BAMBOO GARDEN

50 Market St. Knighton LD7 1BB

01547520010

CLOSED MONDAYS AND TUESDAYS

INDIAN RESTAURANT AND TAKEAWAY

SAFFRON

,6 Bridge St. Knighton LD7 1BT

01547 528510

CLOSED MONDAYS-WEDNESDAYS



KEBAB AND PIZZA

CHANDOS KEBAB AND BURGER HOUSE

1 High St. Knighton LD7 1AT

01547 528085

FISH AND CHIPS

KNIGHTON PLAICE FISH AND CHIPS

23 High St. Knighton LD7 1AT

01547 529423



Farm Shops and Butchers



Cambrian farm shop and Butchers

Ground & Basement Floor, Merchants House, High St, Newtown SY16 2NR

This shop sells meat, cheeses, pies and do great hot roast rolls- be quick they sell out!!

Theres also chutneys, crackers, a very busy local farm shop.

AJ Pugh butchers

Bridge St. Knighton LD7 1BT

Family run butchers, do great BBQ packs and Breakfast hampers and do loads of great offers. Selling meat, cheese and pies



Hindwell Farm Shop

Walton, Presteigne LD8 2NU

This is the first meat vending machine in Wales. Top quality, grass-fed Aberdeen Angus Beef, Welsh Lamb & Welsh Pork, home-reared on their farm in Walton, Presteigne, Powys, Mid Wales

Ludlow Farm Shop

Bromfield Rd. Ludlow SY8 2JR

A large area food centre with cafe on site selling everything from meat , cheese, bread and jams !!!



A YEAR ON OUR FARM

Spring

Spring- this is when the baby lambs start to appear in the fields. We start lambing mid March until early May. Lowland ewes ideally have two lambs however the upland ewes we only want them to have one as they have to deal with harsher conditions. Most of our lambs are born outside but if the weather is particularly bad, we bring them in during the night to give them a fighting chance. We have a system where the youngest lambs and most expectant mothers are closer to the farmyard so they're easier to keep an eye on. We do have to watch out for foxes, ravens and crows who are their biggest predators. James, Llew and Rhys can often be seen driving the quads around the fields checking on everything and who knows you maybe lucky enough to see them assisting a birth. The cows have their calves all year round.



Summer

May and June is when the sheep have their annual haircuts. We shear most ourselves however we do get contractors in to do a couple of big days to make the task less daunting. A contractor can shear up to 300 a day but James is more like 100! This is essential to keep maggots away and keep the sheep healthy. The wool is sent to the wool board but has very little value anymore. Look out for the bluebells that come out at this time and create a purple blanket over patches of the land around the farm.

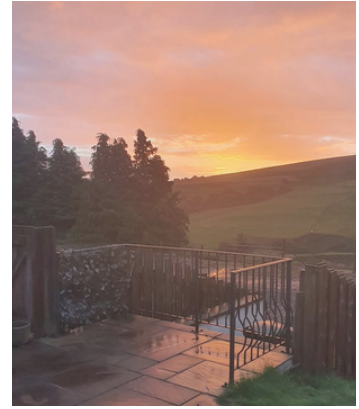
June and July is when the big machinery have their outing. James mows and bales the grass and Llew follows behind with the wrapper. We don't make any hay as the weather is so unpredictable. We aim to have all the harvest in before the Royal Welsh Show in Mid July. They work long hours often into the night to get it done if there's a spell of dry weather. The purple heather comes out on the beacon and my favourite time to do the soldiers tump walk.



A YEAR ON OUR FARM

Autumn

Autumn. This is sale season. A lot of the lambs are sold and new tups (male sheep) are bought ready for tugging season. The sheep all have their health checks making sure they're in top condition for when the time comes. The cows usually go inside late October early November depending on the weather as when it get too wet they make a huge mess in the fields. The trees turn a splendid colour full of oranges and yellows. My favourite time to do the circular walk.



Winter

Winter - usually the most challenging due to the weather but also very pretty when we have a dusting of snow. All the stock need feeding every day - including Christmas Day. Our sheep on the hill opposite the accommodation get fed early mornings to encourage them to stay on our part of the hill, you may see the tractor if you're up early enough



ANNUAL CALENDAR OF SOME EVENTS-2026

- KNIGHTON MARKET -LAST SATURDAY OF THE MONTH
 - HAY BOOK FESTIVAL 21ST -31ST MAY
 - LLANBISTER SHOW 25TH MAY 2026
 - ROYAL WELSH SHOW 20-24TH JULY
 - MAIZE MAZE - CHECK SOCIALS DURING SUMMER
 - ACKHILL SUNFLOWERS- CHECK SOCIALS
 - KNIGHTON SHOW AND CARNIVAL-29TH AUGUST
 - NEWTOWN FOOD FESTIVAL -5/6TH SEPT
 - LUDLOW FOOD FESTIVAL 11/12/13 SEPT
 - POWYS CASTLE ILLUMINATIONS -DEC
 - KNIGHTON FIREWORK DISPLAY -7TH NOVEMBER
 - WINTER FAIR -24/25TH NOVEMBER
 - LUDLOW RACES- 17TH DECEMBER 2025
 - LLANDRINDOD WELLS TRACTOR RUN 21ST DECEMBER 2025
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OUR FAVOURITE EVENTS

WINTER FAIR NOVEMBER 21^S



Smaller version of the Royal Welsh held over 2 days. Lovely for Christmas gifts and not so overwhelming. Lots of animals and crafts to browse.

ROYAL WELSH SHOW



A highlight of the farming calendar. a huge agricultural show over 4 days (we only do 1 and get around most of it) Park and ride is so easy and well organised. stalls, animals, machinery,

LOCAL SHOWS



Llanbsiter show-Bank Holiday Monday end of May

Dolfor Show- 1st Saturday in August,.

Knighton show and carnival- Last weekend in August- nighttime procession is always worth sticking around for followed by fireworks

Craft and produce are put to the judges. refreshment tents cannot be beaten. Activities for the children

ILLUMINATED TRACTOR RUN - LLANDRINDOD WELLS



Organised by a local Young Farmers Club this event grows year on year. Watch over 100 tractors drive in convoy around the area. The best place to watch is at the lake where you can see the Beacons and lights all around the lake with a warm hot chocolate from the lakeside Boathouse. Raises money for local charities and is a great event before Christmas.

DIRECT BOOKINGS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

We do take direct bookings from guests. If this is something you would like to do please get in touch and we can provide competitive prices for your stay.

If you are looking for something specific for your stay just get in touch, we have loads more recommendations

If you have stayed before and enjoyed your stay, please be sure to tell your friends and family and we would love to welcome you back in the future.

**You can check our website
www.maesgwynholidaylets.co.uk
for up to date availability.**

**Please tag us in any photos you have taken
@maesgwynholidaylets so we can share with our
followers.**

Lin and James