

# Welcome to Ty Dewi



Ffynnonddewi  
Solva  
Haverfordwest  
SA62 6LR

The postal address of your holiday rental property is:

**Ffynnonddewi**  
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**Haverfordwest**  
**Pembrokeshire**  
**SA62 6LR**

The grid reference for the entrance to the drive is **SM829255** What3Words: **approve.engine.functions**

Welcome to **Ty Dewi**, it is our aim to make your stay here as pleasurable as possible and contained within this guide is some information to make your stay easier, so we recommend you do take a couple of minutes to have a read through. If you have any further questions or there is something you don't understand, then please do ask.

### **Keys**

We have only left one key which you would have found either in the front door or in the key safe, which is located on the outside back wall of the stable, by the oil tank. If you wish to go out separately then please use the key safe. The code is **1971**

### **Check In / Check Out**

The cottage will be ready for you to check in from **4pm**.

At the end of your stay please check out of the cottage by **10am** in order to allow us to get the cottage ready for our next guests. Late checkouts may be possible, but strictly by prior arrangement only.

### **Amenities**

Please make yourselves at home! Have a look through the cupboards to familiarize yourself with the contents of the property. The property should be ready for you with clean bedding and towels on the beds. If you find anything to not be to your satisfaction please let us know straight away.

We can be contacted on either **07900 411952** or **07775 924224** or you can find us in the static caravan by following the road around into the field. These are also the numbers to use for any on site emergencies.

Firstly the important stuff...Wi-fi!

The wifi network is **Ty Dewi** and the password is **westisbest**. The router is situated behind the white toy box in the lounge should you need to restart it for any reason. **Do not under any circumstances reset it as other devices rely on the id and password**. Most problems can be solved by simply switching off and then back on again. If problems persist then please see us.

Our internet tops out at around 30-40mbps, which is very good for such a rural location and should be more than adequate for your needs. However it may fall down if everyone tries to stream high bandwidth content at once

### **Inside the property:**

#### **Kitchen / Dining Room**

We have a wide selection of crockery, cutlery, pots, pans etc. You will also find a blender, scales and a hand mixer in the cupboards. You will find coffee, tea and sugar on the side and some milk in the fridge on arrival. If however you find there is some less usual kitchen item you may need it is always worth asking as we may be able to help.

Please don't take kitchen items for picnic use as they have a habit of not finding their way back into the house!

## Utility Room

The Utility Room – just off the kitchen – houses a large fridge / freezer, a washing machine and the tumble dryer. It also contains a table top ironing board and iron.

You are on holiday, so we do not expect you to clean before you leave! But if you could leave the property tidy and wash up/set the dishwasher running, prior to departure that would be a great help. However if you do need a brush, dustpan or mop this is where you will find them, along with Henry the Hoover.

## Lounge

In the large family lounge in Ty Dewi you will find a 49" Ultra HD, Wi-Fi enabled, Internet TV with Freeview Play. We have provided a selection of books for all age groups. You will also find toys and board games.

The operating manuals for the TV are in the back of this guide.

The TV is also equipped with a Chromecast which enables you to connect your tablet, Smartphone or laptop wirelessly, and a Roku soundbar to stream music and further content, if you are not familiar with how to connect, there are instructions on the laminated TV guide.

You may note the fairy lights both on the ceiling and the stairway; the ceiling ones are mains powered and can be turned off at the plug, whereas the ones on the stairs are battery operated. Hold in the button to turn them off. Both sets have multi functions so the living room can be converted into your very own disco if you wish!

## Wood Burner

For guests staying between October and April we provide a starter pack of kindling, fire lighters and logs on the fire place next to the wood burner. Further supplies can be purchased, via an honesty box in the Woodshed, which you will find in the stable across the yard from the house. If you have never lit a wood burner and would like some tips, please just ask!

The operator's manual for the wood burner can be found in the back of this guide, should you be unsure.

The burner is actually a multi-fuel burner which means that you can burn coal and anthracite, but these fuels are better suited to a more constant background heat, throughout the day so we prefer to stick to logs.

## Bedrooms

All of the bedrooms are made up ready for your holiday. Please take your pick on arrival!

The throws and cushions come from our friends at [Melin Tregwynt](#), which is a traditional wool mill near Castlemorris, they also have a lovely café. You will find pop up black out blinds on top of the wardrobes in the en suite and twin bedrooms along the corridor. Putting up / taking down: <https://youtu.be/5XhqfV6gqUE>

## Bathrooms

There are three bathrooms in Ty Dewi. The main bathroom contains a large walk in shower and there are two further en suite bathrooms in the master bedroom and in the old "pigsty" which is off the lounge. Both en suites have showers. In the master bathroom you will also find a bath, with shower over.

## Outdoor furniture etc

If the weather is good to you and it is possible to eat or cook al fresco, we have a large BBQ accompanied by a full array of BBQ cooking utensils and outdoor dining furniture. Please wash and return all utensils to the BBQ after use and leave the BBQ clean and ready for our next guests to use. *Failure to do so will result in a charge as per our booking conditions.*

There is a metal dustbin for ashes, please do not use it for any other waste. There is also further garden furniture in the store on the top level.

Wood for the fire-pit can be found in the Woodshed across the yard, where we operate an honesty box system

## **Dogs**

We are delighted to welcome any four-legged guests! We have left a few doggie provisions in case you have left anything at home. You will find doggie towels in a basket by the French doors in the kitchen. If there are no farm animals in the surrounding fields then feel free to let your dogs off lead, but please, be aware that we aren't completely separated from the neighbouring fields, or the road.

We insist that you pick up after your dogs and that you use the doggie bin that you will find in the waste & recycling area in the yard. We would also request that dogs are kept off the furniture and please do not leave dogs unaccompanied in the property when you go out.

## **Smoking**

We ask that you please do not smoke inside either Ty Dewi but please feel free to smoke outside the back doors where we have left a bucket for finished butts, matches etc.

## **Breakages**

We understand that accidents are sometimes unavoidable! So that we can ensure that Ty Dewi is ready for the next guests please report any breakages. However excessive breakages, willful or neglectful damage will be charged for.

## **Towels**

You will find a bath sheet and hand towel for each guest on the bed. There is a hand towel in each bathroom and cloakroom and also in the kitchen. Please do not take our white towels to the beach, you will find beach towels in a bag hanging on the utility door. If you do use any of the beach towels, please leave them in the bath on departure so we can get them washed ready for our next guests.

## **Parking**

We have a large yard so parking should never be a problem. Please do not drive into the fields as especially after wet weather they can become boggy in parts and you may get stuck.

## **Campsite**

Please feel free to use the football goal which is located in the middle of the camping field or to exercise your dog off lead in the doggy area, which is currently the top field, beyond the camping field.

For your privacy we ask our campers not to access or drive through the farmyard.

Similarly we ask you please to not drive through the camping field and instead to use the main drive.

## **Heating/Hot water**

The heating is powered by an, oil fired boiler which is located in the utility area off of the kitchen.

It is controlled via the thermostat, in the "pigsty" off the lounge, which has under floor heating. The bedroom and bathroom at the far end of the corridor also have under floor heating and this is controlled by the thermostat in the end bedroom. All of the radiators have thermostatic valves, so using these is the best way of controlling the temperature if you are too warm. During the winter, the heating is on a timer and comes on in the early morning and late afternoon. If you should need heat at any time when the boiler is off, then you can "advance" to the next on phase by pressing the big square advance button on the right hand side of the control panel. Please do not adjust the timer as it is very time consuming to reprogram.

Hot water is on all the time, on demand. The hand basin in the bathroom at the end of the corridor has its own electric boiler; in the unlikely event that this should run out, it will reheat in approximately 10 minutes.

## **Water**

Should you need it the stopcock, to shut off the water can be found outside under the black hatch next to the outside tap around the corner as you go through into the field.

## Electricity

Please note that there are two electrical distribution boards in the house. One is found above the fridge and controls everything between the kitchen and the steps up into the corridor, including the boiler. The other lives behind the boxing by the door in the bedroom at the far end of the corridor and covers the rest.

Both boards have switchable mcbs and are RCD protected, occasional surges or for example bulbs failing may trip the breakers, which can then be reset. The RCDs need pushing fully downwards before resetting. If any of the breakers won't reset for any reason, then please contact us for assistance.

Power outages are rare, but should there be a power cut, there is an emergency torch, which doubles as a first aid kit in the utility room and we can provide emergency lighting should the power be off for any longer periods.

## Sewage and waste water

Not the most pleasant of subjects but there are a few things of note.

We aren't connected to mains sewage and have a septic tank system. The only things that go down the toilet should be human waste and toilet tissue. You may notice that we don't use thick quilted paper as this is slow to break down.\

There are a few things it really doesn't like:

1. Lots of harsh chemicals. The odd squirt of bleach or general, bathing, washing up and laundry are fine so long as it's not excessive. Excessive chemicals kill off the good bacteria in the septic system and stop it working.
2. Oil and fat. This is one of the biggest problems as not only does it block the household pipe work but, as it floats it doesn't pump out very well and tends to then block inaccessible parts of the septic system, particularly the drainage field. *Please collect all fat and oil in a separate container and dispose of into the general waste bin or leave on the side when you leave and we can dispose of it ourselves.*
3. Sanitary products and particularly baby wipes. These are very slow to break down and are the cause of most blockages. The same applies to baby wipes. *Sanitary products, please use the bags and the bins provides and baby wipes in with the general waste please and under no circumstances are to be flushed down the toilet.*
4. General solids. These all contribute to blockages. *Basically if it can't go through the sink strainers it shouldn't go down and should go in either the food waste or general waste bins. Coffee grounds though, very fine are one of the worst culprits for some reason and should also go in the food waste.*

## Garbage Bins and Recycling

We have a trade waste scheme where we pay by the bag, with black bag, landfill waste costing us over 4 times that of recycled waste, to dispose of, so if you could help us and the planet by recycling as much as possible it will be very much appreciated.

Please check the notice by the kitchen bins as the system here may be different to what you are used to at home.

We have a 4 bag system in Pembrokeshire which comprises of:

### Glass

There is a green wheelie bin across the yard for glass bottles and clean jars. You can leave the tops, corks and lids on.

### General Recycling

This goes into the clear bags. In these bags we can recycle plastic bottles, small cardboard items, tins, cans, aluminium foil and empty aerosols, newspapers, magazines, catalogues, directories & junk mail e.g. flyers, yellow pages and brochures. (not writing or printer paper). There is a black flip top bin in the kitchen for this which when full goes into the big green wheelie bin by the stable.

Larger cardboard items such as boxes can be flat packed and placed directly into the green wheelie bin.

*Please do not put general waste into the orange bags as it doesn't get picked up.*

### Food waste

This goes into either the small green or clear bags. There is a caddy for use in the kitchen and a blue food waste bin by the stable.

### General Waste

Everything else goes into black bags, when full these should go into the big grey wheelie bin by the stable. Please ensure that you are bagging general waste into black bags before placing them in the wheelie bin otherwise we need to climb inside the bin to do it which isn't much fun! 😊

### **Shops and Supermarkets**

We have an excellent local shop in Upper Solva - **Bayview Stores** - with all the essentials from fresh meat, fish and vegetables to toiletries, frothy coffee, freshly baked bread and newspapers. It is also an off license.

The nearest supermarket is CK's in St David's, which is situated around the back of the one way system. It is also a post office.

You can find delicious freshly grown vegetables at Pen Pant Farm Shop in Nine Wells between Solva and St David's.

Haverfordwest is home to the larger supermarkets like Lidl, Morrison and Tesco and also has a small town centre, together with an out of town retail park, with, TK Maxx, Boots etc. But note it is very much a working town rather than a tourist destination.

St David's is also home to Gwyn Davies' Butchers who also sell wet fish in the summer season. Also in St David's you will find two excellent delis, together with more touristy shops and of course the wonderful cathedral.

#### **Bayview Stores**

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[www.bayviewstores.co.uk/](http://www.bayviewstores.co.uk/)

Winter: 07:00 – 19:00

Summer: 07:00 – 20:00

#### **CK's Supermarket**

53 New Street, St David's

SA62 6SW

[www.cksupermarkets.co.uk](http://www.cksupermarkets.co.uk)

Mon – Sat: 07:00 – 21:00

Sun: 10:00 – 16:00

#### **Pen Pant Farm**

Nine Wells, Solva

SA62 6UK

[www.penpantfarm.co.uk/](http://www.penpantfarm.co.uk/)

Tel: +44 1437 721369

#### **Lidl**

Perrots Road, Haverfordwest

SA61 2HD

Mon – Sat: 08:00 – 22:00

Sun: 10:00 – 16:00

#### **Morrisons**

Sydney Rees Way

SA61 2EX

Mon – Sat: 07:00 – 22:00

Sun: 10:00 – 16:00

#### **Tescos**

Portfield Gate

SA61 1BU

Mon – Sat: 06:00 – midnight

Sun: 10:00 – 16:00

### **Restaurants & Pubs**

Our nearest restaurants and pubs are in Solva – and for a small village we have an amazing choice!

Please remember though that the village can be super busy during the summer months so we advise booking in advance

#### **The Cambrian Inn**

SA62 6TX

[www.thecambrianinn.co.uk](http://www.thecambrianinn.co.uk)

Tel: +44 1437 721210

#### **The Ship Inn**

SA62 6UU

[www.theshipinnsolva.com](http://www.theshipinnsolva.com)

Tel: +44 1437 721528

#### **The Harbour Inn**

SA62 6UT

[website](#)

Tel: +44 1437 720013

#### **Café Thirty Five**

SA62 6UT

Tel: +44 1437 729236

Also offers Fish & Chips to take-away!

#### **The Café on the Quay**

Trinity Quay SA62 6UQ

Tel: +44 1437 721725

#### **Mamgu's Coffee Shop**

SA62 6UU

[website](#)

Tel: +44 1437 454369

St David's also offers a wide choice. Our particular favorites are [The Really Wild Emporium](#), [St David's Kitchen](#) and our excellent local Indian [Saffron](#) who offer takeaway for collection.

Other local favourites include [The Shed](#) and [The Sloop](#) in Porthgain a small fishing village on the Pembrokeshire Coast path between St David's and Fishguard.

### **Fresh Fish / Dressed Crabs and Lobster**

Solva is renowned for its crab and there are three or four crab fisherman who operate out of the harbour. They all sell their wares locally but our favourites, who we have been using for years since holidaying here are Mike and Krysia, at [Something Fishy](#) 07854 618466. They operate a little shop at the back of their house which is on the way back into Solva.(SA62 6XJ) They sell cooked or dressed crab and lobster and sometimes wet fish. Their seafood platters are fantastic

As previously mentioned there is a more traditional fishmongers which can be found inside the butchers in St David's.

Gareth also smokes his own fish, which you can purchase, subject to availability, please ask.

### **Public Transport**

There are several interconnecting local bus services that run up and down the coast, these can be flagged down pretty much anywhere and even run to some remote coastal villages and beaches during the summer months, there is an abbreviated timetable in the free National Park magazine in the cottage or the full timetable can be found on the Pembrokeshire council website [www.pembrokeshire.gov.uk](http://www.pembrokeshire.gov.uk) as well as in the cottage.

The nearest place to catch the bus(T11) is on the Main A487, which is a 15 minute walk from the cottages

There are several taxi services operating in the area but one of the largest and most reliable is Franks Cabs. They have a local driver based in Solva, with an 8 seater minibus and there is a mobile number 07975 775688, which goes straight through to James the driver, he is a good friend of ours and knows where we are if you tell him you are staying with Gareth and Luci .

Alternatively the main number is 01437 721731, which often diverts to Frank's mobile. He also drives himself so sometimes doesn't answer, but if you leave a message he is excellent at returning calls and usually rings back within a couple of minutes.

Franks will take advanced bookings at pretty much anytime, but there is only one operator that will answer 24hrs , Rocky's in Haverfordwest 01437 890891 and whilst they are a fair way away, Debbie the owner runs a great company and they are very reliable.

The nearest train station is Haverfordwest.

### **The Great Outdoors**

Summers in Pembrokeshire are all about the great outdoors. There is excellent walking on the coast path and in the Preseli Hills, but the star attractions are the beaches and for the more adventurous there are plenty of sea and coast based activities from surfing to coasteering, with plenty of places offering tuition or equipment hire our favourites are our friends at the [Big Blue Experience](#) above Carters in Newgale, where Ollie will help you out, you can always give him a call on 07816 169359.

### **Hospital**

The nearest Hospital with A &E facilities is Withybush in Haverfordwest.

Fishguard Road

Haverfordwest

SA61 2PZ

If you feel you need to call an ambulance, or any of the emergency services for that matter, the exact location of the property can be found right at the start of this guide.

## **Important Numbers**

### **Gareth**

07900 411952

### **Luci**

07775 924224

### **Accident and Emergency:**

Withybush Hospital  
Fishguard Road  
Haverfordwest  
SA61 2PZ

### **Doctors:**

Solva

Tel: 01437 721306 out of hours diverts to the Pembrokeshire Care Service who cover the county, when the surgery is closed.

### **Vets:**

The Oak Veterinary Group

St Davids 01437 721375 (has limited opening hours but will divert if closed)

Haverfordwest 01437 760111 (has a 24 hour emergency service)

### **Nearest Pharmacy:**

Well Pharmacy  
The Cross Square  
St Davids  
SA62 6SE

Once again we hope you enjoy your stay and if there is anything we can do to make it better then please ask.

We would also love to hear your feedback so please do take time to fill in the visitors book with both the things you have enjoyed together with any improvements you think we could make.

Best wishes

Luci, Gareth and Lola, the dog.